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TO THE

READER,

Concerning the Third Edition.

ALTHOUGH this little Book was a Part of the Diversion of my juvenile Years, and drawn up when I was young, and afterwards twice published; yet having been for some Time scarce, and much called for, I have reviewed it for a third Impression. Neither do I think it unbecoming my riper Years, or my Profession, to do so, by reason it hath done some, not inconsiderable, Good in the World, not only among the Clock-Makers, and their Apprentices, but also among many Gentlemen and others, that delight in Mechanical Studies and Exercises: to whom it hath been an innocent and virtuous Diversion.

Upon this Review (the last I shall ever make) I have thought it necessary to make many and considerable Alterations: Of

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which I would have given a List, in Justice to the Purchasers of the former Editions (as I did in the second Impression) but that it is almost impossible. For all the Supplement to the Second Edition, so far as I thought it might be of use, is thrown into proper Places of the Book itself, and so many Things are expunged, so many added, and so many amended, that the Book is in a manner New. So that could I have given the Particulars of the Alterations, yet no Purchaser of the former Editions would think it worth his while to transcribe them, but rather buy the Book a-new, since it is rendered, I hope, more compleat, and the Purchase is but small.

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T H E P R E F A C E.

THE following Book was at first drawn up in a rude Manner, only to please myself, and divert the vacant Hours of a solitary country Life. But it is now published, purely in hopes of it's doing some good in the World among such, whose Genius and Leisure lead them to mechanical Studies, or those whose Busines and Livelihood it is.

Many there are, whose Fault or Calamity it is, to have Time lying upon their Hands ; and for want of innocent, do betake themselves to hurtful Pleasures. This is the too common Misfortune of some Gentlemen. Among some of the looser sort of which, if this Book shall find Acceptance, it may be a means to compose their rambling Spirits ; and by an innocent Guile, initiate them in other Studies, of greater use to themselves, their Family, and Country. However, it may hinder their commission of many Sins, which are the Effects of Idleness.

If there be any one Person, in whom these good Effects are produced, I shall think my idle Hours well bestowed, and bless God for it. However, upon the Account of the Innocence of my End in publishing this Book, and that it was written only as the harmless (I may add also the virtuous) Sport of leisure Hours; I think myself excusable to God and the World, for the Expence of so much Time, in a Subject different from my Profession.

But besides, I think there are some little Obligations of Justice and Charity lying upon me to publish the ensuing Papers, for the sake of those whose Business the Mechanical Part is. I take it to be a Charity to the Trade; because there are many (although excellent in the Working-Part) who are utterly unskilled in the artificial Part of it. And then it is a Debt I pay: Because I owe somewhat of Health, as well as Diversion, to the Study and Practice of this sort of Mechanicks. And the best Requital I can make for my Trespass, is to publish what I have had better Opportunities perhaps of learning than many Workmen have.

And further yet, there is another Reason, which much prevailed with me to publish

publish this Book, *viz.* Because no Body, that I know of, hath prevented me, by treating so plainly and intelligibly of this Subject, as to be understood by a vulgar Workman. I have often wondered at it, that so useful and delightful a Part of Mechanical Mathematicks should lie in any Obscurity, in an Age wherein such noble Improvements have been made therein, and when many Books are daily published upon every Subject. I speak here of this Art remaining in Obscurity; not as if nothing was ever written of it, and I the Inventor of Automatical Computation.

But altho' I cannot assume the Glory of being the first Writer upon this Subject, yet very few have as yet done it; of which I shall next give some Account.

Cardan, Kircher, and Scottus promised it; but I do not find they ever published any thing to the Purpose of it. Our great Mr *Oughtred* I take to be the first that ever wrote to any Purpose about the Calculation of *Automata*: And I believe he was the first that brought that Art under Rules, in his little Treatise called *Automata*. Which was first surreptitiously published in *English* in a little Book called *Horological Dialogues*, in 1675;

and afterwards far more compleatly in *Latin*, at the Theatre in *Oxon*, among Mr *Oughtred's Opusc. Mathem.* in the Year 1677.

What Mr *Oughtred* had wrapt up in his algebraick obscure Characters, was afterwards put into plainer Language by that excellent Mathematician Sir *Jonas Moor*, with some Additions of his own ; which you have in his *Math. Compend.* and since him, by Mr *Leybourne*, in his *Pleasure with Profit.*

I hope I shall not be judged to have transgressed the Rules of Modesty, in coming after these Men ; neither should I venture that Censure, but for two Reasons. One is, I find by Experience, that what they have written, is understood by very few Workmen, and therefore I have endeavoured, with all Industry, to make the Matter as plain as I could for such. For which Reason, I hope the more learned Reader will excuse my using many Words, when fewer would have served his turn ; and that I have condescended to low things, (and to him needless) as teaching the Golden-Rule, &c. The other Reason is, that what those three have written, relates only or chiefly to the Watch-Part. To which I have added

added several other Things of my own: particularly the Calculation of the Clock-Part, &c. which I myself have reduced to Rules. And to name no more, the Historical Part hath not been so much as attempted before, that I know of.

These Reasons will, I hope, excuse me with the most censorious Reader, not only for presuming to write after so accurate a Piece as Mr *Oughtred's* is; but also the Novelty of the Subject, will I hope procure for me a candid Interpretation of the Faults that I may have unwittingly committed.

To the preceding Account of what others have written (which shews what help I have had from printed Books) I shall subjoin my Acknowledgments and Thanks to the principal of my Friends, who have given me their Assistance in compiling some Parts of this Book. In the Chapter of the Terms of Art, I owe much to the Assistance of Mr *Langley Bradley* a judicious Workman in *Fenchurch-street*, who drew me up a Scheme of the Clock-Maker's Language. In the History of the modern Inventions, I have had (among some others) the Assistance of the Ingenious Dr *Hook* and Mr *Tompion*: The former

former being the Author of some, and well acquainted with others, of the Mechanical Inventions of that fertile Reign of King *Charles II.* and the latter actually concerned in all, or most of the late Inventions in Clock-Work, by means of his famed Skill in that and other Mechanical Operations.

There are some other Contrivances of this last Age (besides those I have mentioned) which I have passed over in silence; because either they are only Branches or Improvements of the Inventions I have taken Notice of, (such as several ways of Repeating-Work, &c.) or else, they only collaterally relate to Watch-Work, as the Inventions of *Cutting-Engines*, (which was Dr *Hook's*) *Fusy-Engines*, and others, which were never thought of 'till towards the End of King *Charles the II's* Reign. To treat of all these, would swell my Book far beyond it's intended Bounds; which I have already somewhat exceeded. I shall therefore commit this Task to some better Pen, hoping that no Person will take it amiss, that I have not mentioned his Inventions which I have been beholden to him for the Relation of.

For the Reasons last mentioned, I have also left out of my Book, a Chapter of the Art of making and using many sorts of Sodders, the way of colouring Metals, &c. useful in the Practice of Clock-Work. This I had prepared for the sake of Mercurial Gentlemen, but omitted printing it and some other things, out of Charity to poor Apprentices and other Workmen, whose Purses I am unwilling my Volume should too much exceed.

If I have at any time invaded the Workman's Province, it was not because I pretended to teach him his Trade; but either for Gentlemen's Sakes, or when the Matter led me necessarily to it.

I have nothing more to add, but that I would have this little Treatise looked upon only as an Essay, which I hope will prompt some more able Undertaker to perform the Task better, especially in the Historical Part. For since Watch-Work oweth so much to our Age, and Country, 'tis pity that it should not be remembered: especially when we cannot but lament the great Defect of History, about the Beginning and Improvements of this ingenious and useful Art.



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CLOCK-MAKER.

C H A P. I.

*Of the Terms of Art, or Names by which
the Parts of an Automaton are called.*

IT is necessary that I should shew the meaning of the Terms which Clock-makers use, that Gentlemen, and others, unskilful in the Art, may know how to express themselves properly, in speaking; and also understand what I shall say in the following Book.

I shall not trouble the Reader with a recital of every Name that doth occur, but only such as I shall have occasion to use in the following Discourse, and some few others that offer themselves, upon a transient view of a Piece of Work.

I begin with the more general Terms: as, the *Frame*; which is that which contains the Wheels, and the rest of the Work. The *Pillars* and *Plates*, are what it chiefly consists of.

Next for the *Main-Spring*, and it's appurtenances. That which the Spring lies in, is the *Spring-box*: that which the Spring laps about, in the middle of the Spring-box, is the *Spring-Arbor*; to which the Spring is hooked at one end. At the top of the Spring-Arbor, is the *Endless-Screw*, and it's *Wheel*: but in Spring-Clocks it is a *Ratchet-wheel* with it's *Click* (that stops it).

That which the Main-Spring draweth, and about which the Chain or String is wrapped, and which is commonly taper, is the *Fusy*. In larger work, going with weights, where it is cylindrical, it is called, the *Barrel*: The small Teeth at the Bottom of the Fusy, or Barrel, that stop it in winding up, is the *Ratchet*. That which stops it when wound up, and is for that end driven up by the String, is the *Gardegut*.

The parts of a *Wheel* are, the *Hoop*, or *Rim*: the *Teeth*: the *Cross*: and the *Collet*, or piece of Brafs, foddered on the *Arbor*,

Arbor, or Spindle, on which the Wheel is riveted.

A *Pinion* is that little Wheel, which plays in the Teeth of the Wheel. Its Teeth (which are commonly 4, 5, 6, 8, &c.) are called *Leves*, not Teeth.

The ends of the Spindle, are called *Pivots*: the holes in which they run *Pivot-holes*.

The guttered Wheel, with Iron spikes at the bottom, in which the line of ordinary House-Clocks doth run, is called the *Pully*.

I need not speak of the *Dial-Plate*, the *Hand*, *Screws*, *Wedges*, *Stops*, &c.

Thus much for general Names, which are common to all parts of a Movement.

The most usual Movements are *Watches* and *Clocks*. *Watches* strictly taken, are all such Movements as shew the parts of Time: and *Clocks* are such as publish it, by striking on a Bell, &c. But commonly the name of *Watches* is appropriated to such as are carried in the Pocket; and that of *Clock* to the larger Movements, whether they strike the Hour or no. As for Watches which strike the Hour, they are called *Pocket-Clocks*.

The parts of a *Movement*, which I shall consider, are the *Watch*, and *Clock-parts*.

The *Watch-part* of a Movement is that which serveth to the measuring the Hours. In which the first thing I shall consider is the *Ballance*: whose parts are, the *Rim*, which is the circular part of it: the *Verge*, is it's Spindle: to which belong the two *Pallets*, or *Leves*, which play in the teeth of the *Crown-Wheel*: in Pocket Watches, that strong Stud in which the lower Pivot of the *Verge* plays, and in the middle of which one Pivot of the *Ballance-wheel* plays, is called the *Pottance* vulgarly, I suppose for *Potence* (it being strong) or *Portance*, as Dr *Hook* calls it in his *Helioscop.* p. 10. The bottom of this is called the *Foot*; the middle part (in which the Pivot of the *Ballance-wheel* turns) is called the *Nose*; the upper-part, the *Shoulder* of the *Portance*. The piece which covers the *Ballance*, and in which the upper Pivot of the *Ballance* plays, is the *Cock*. The small Spring in the new Pocket-Watches underneath the *Ballance*, is the *Regulator*, or *Pendulum-Spring*.

The parts of a *Pendulum* are, the *Verge*, *Pallets* and *Cocks*, as before. The *Ball* in long Pendulums, the *Bob* in short ones, is the *Weight* at the bottom. The *Rod*, or *Wire*, is plain. The terms peculiar to the *Royal Swing*, are the *Pads*, which

which are the Pallets in others, and are fixed on the *Arbor*. The *Fork* is also fixed to the *Arbor*, and about 6 inches below, catcheth hold on the Rod, at a flat piece of Brass, called the *Flatt*, in which the lower end of the *Spring* is fastened.

The names of the Wheels next follow. The *Crown-Wheel* in small pieces, and *Swing-Wheel* in Royal Pendulums, is that Wheel which drives the Ballance, or Pendulum.

The *Contrate Wheel*, is that Wheel in Pocket-Watches, and others, which is next to the *Crown-Wheel*, whose Teeth and Hoop lie contrary to those of other Wheels: whence it hath it's Name.

The *Great-Wheel*, or *First-Wheel*, is that which the Fusy, &c. immediately driveth. Next it, are the *Second-Wheel*, *Third-Wheel*, &c.

Next followeth the Work between the Frame and Dial-Plate. And first, is the *Pinion of Report*; which is that Pinion, which is commonly fixed on the Arbor of the great Wheel, and in old Watches used to have commonly but four Leaves; which driveth the *Dial-Wheel*, and this carrieth about the *Hand*.

The last part which I shall speak of is the *Clock*, which is that part which serveth to strike the hours: In which I shall

First speak of the *Great*, or *First-Wheel*; which is that which the Weight or Spring first drives. In 16 or 30 Hour Clocks, this is commonly the *Pin-Wheel*; in 8 Day pieces, the *Second-Wheel* is commonly the *Pin-Wheel*. This Wheel thus with Pins is called the *Striking-Wheel*, or *Pin-Wheel*.

Next to this Striking-Wheel, followeth the *Detent-Wheel*, or *Hoop-Wheel*, it having a Hoop almost round it, in which is a vacancy, at which the Clock locks.

The next is the *Third*, or *Fourth-Wheel* (according as it is distant from the First-Wheel) called also the *Warning-Wheel*.

And lastly is the *Flying Pinion*, with a *Fly* or *Fan* to gather Air, and so bridle the rapidity of the Clock's motion.

Besides these, there are the *Pinion of Report*, of which before, which driveth round the *Locking-Wheel*, called also the *Count-Wheel*, with 11 Notches in it commonly, unequally distant from one another, to make the Clock strike the hours of 1, 2, 3, &c.

Thus much for the Wheels of the Clock part.

Besides

Besides which, there are the *Rash*, or *Ratch*; which is that sort of Wheel of twelve large Fangs, that runneth concentrical to the Dial-Wheel, and serveth to lift up the Detents every Hour, and make the Clock strike.

The *Detents* are those Stops, which by being lifted up, or let fall down, do lock and unlock the Clock in striking.

The *Hammers* strike the Bell: The *Hammer-tails* are what the Striking-pins draw back the Hammers by.

Latches are what lift up, and unlock the Work.

Catches are what hold by hooking, or catching hold of.

The *Lifting pieces* do lift up, and unlock the Detents, in the Clock part.

The *Train* is the number of Beats or Vibrations, which the Watch maketh in an Hour, or any other certain time.

There are besides these, divers other Terms which the Clockmakers use in various Sorts of Pieces, as the *Snail*, or *Step-Wheel* in Repeating-Clocks, the *Rack*, the *Safegards*, the several *Levers*, *Lifters*, and *Detents*: but it would be tedious, and it is needless to mention the particulars.

For the better understanding these Terms of Art, and the parts of a Clock, I have in *Fig. 1.* represented them to the eye. In which, two distinct parts may be observed, the *Watch*, and the *Clock-part*.

The Wheels, &c. on the right hand, is the *Watch-part*. They on the left, the *Clock-part*.

A. A. A. A. The upper *Plate* of the *Frame*: which you may imagine to be transparent (as of Glass) to admit of a Prospect of the Wheel-work underneath it.

B. B. B. The lower *Plate* of the *Frame*.

C. C. C. C. The *Pillars*.

D. D. The *Spring-Boxes* of the *Watch* and *Clock part*.

E. E. The *Great-wheel* of each part.

F. F. The *Fusey* of each part, about which the Chain, or String is wrapped.

g. g. g. g. g. g. g. The *Ratchet* of each part.

a. a. a. The *Hoop*, or *Rim* of the *Second-wheel*.

b. b. The *Cross* thereof.

c. The *Pinion*.

H. The *Contrate-wheel*.

I. The *Crown-wheel*.

d. d. The

d. d. The upper and lower *Pevet* thereof.

K. A piece of Brass, in which the *Pevet-hole* is, in which the *Pevet* d. playeth.

L. The *Pin-wheel*, with the *Striking-Pins* e. e. e. e. e.

M. The *Detent-wheel*.

N. The *Warning-wheel*, or fourth wheel.

O. The *Detent*.

P. The *Lifting-piece*.

Q. Q. The *Fan*, and *Flying-Pinion*.

R. The *Bell*.

S. The *Hammer*.

T. The *Hammertails*.

V. V. The Chain, or String of the Watch and Clock.

x. The *Verge* or *Spindle* of the Balance, or Pendulum.

y. y. y. The *Rod* of the Pendulum.

z. The *Fork*.

2. The *Flatt*.

3. The *Great Ball*.

4. The *Corrector*, or *Regulator*; being a contrivance of my own, of very great use to bring the Pendulum to it's nice *Vibrations*.

5. 5. The *Pallets*.

C H A P. II.

The Art of Calculation.

S E C T. I.

General preliminary Rules and Directions for Calculation.

§. 1. **F**OR the more clear understanding this Chapter it must be observed, that those *Automata* (whose *Calculation* I chiefly intend) do by little Interstices, or Strokes, measure out longer portions of Time. Thus the strokes of the Ballance of a Watch, do measure out Minutes, Hours, Days, &c.

Now to scatter those strokes amongst *Wheels* and *Pinions*, and to proportionate them, so as to measure Time regularly, is the design of Calculation. For the clearer discovery of which, it will be necessary to proceed leisurely, and gradually.

§. 2. And in the first place, you are to know, that any Wheel being divided by it's Pinion *, shews how many *turns* that Pinion

* *Oughtred of Autom.*

Pinion hath to one turn of that Wheel. Thus a Wheel of 60 teeth driving a Pinion of 6, will turn round the Pinion 10 times in going round once. $6)60(10$.

From the Fusy to the Ballance the Wheels drive the Pinions; and consequently the Pinions run faster, or go more turns, than the Wheels they run in. But it is contrary, from the great Wheel to the Dial-Wheel. Thus, in the last example, the Wheel drives round the Pinion 10 times: but if the Pinion drove the Wheel, it must turn 10 times to drive the Wheel round once.

§. 3. Before I proceed further, I must shew how to write down the Wheels and Pinions. Which may be done either as Vulgar Fractions, or in the way of Division in Vulgar Arithmetick. For Ex. A Wheel of 60 moving a Pinion of 5, may be set down thus, $\frac{60}{5}$: or rather thus $5)60$: where the upper most figure 60, or Numerator is the wheel, the lower-most or Denominator, is the Pinion: or, in the latter example, the first figure is the Pinion, the next without the hook, is the Wheel.

The number of Turns, which the Pinion hath in one turn of the Wheel, is set without a hook on the right hand:

as 5)60(12; i. e. a Pinion 5 playing in a wheel of 60, moveth round 12 times in one turn of the Wheel.

4)36(9 A whole Movement may
5)55(11 be noted thus, $\frac{4}{3} \frac{5}{3} \frac{4}{3} \frac{5}{3}$
5)45(9 17 Notches in the Crown-
5)40(8 Wheel. Or rather (because it
will be easiest to mean Capacities)

17 as you see here in the Margin: where the uppermost number above the line, is the Pinion of Report 4, the Dial-Wheel 36, and 9 turns of the Pinion of Report. The second number (under the line) is 5 the Pinion, 55 is the Great-Wheel, and 11 turns of the Pinion it driveth. The third numbers, are the Second-Wheel, &c. The fourth the Contrate-Wheel, &c. And the single number 17 under all, is the number of the Crown-Wheel.

§. 4. By the §. 2. before, knowing the number of turns, which any Pinion hath in one turn of the Wheel it worketh in, you may also find out how many turns a Wheel or a Pinion hath, at a greater distance; as the Contrate-Wheel, Crown-Wheel, or, &c. For it is but multiplying together the *Quotients**, and the number produced

* By the Quotients, I commonly mean the number of Turns; which number is set on the right hand, without the

produced is the number of Turns. An Example will make what I say plain: let us chuse these 3 numbers here set down; the first of which hath 11 turns, the next 9, and the last 8. If you multiply 11 and 9 it produceth 99, for 9 times 11 is 99, that is in one Turn of the Wheel 55, there are 99 Turns of the second Pinion 5, or the Wheel 40, which runs concentrical, or on the same Arbor with the second Pinion 5. For as there are 11 Turns of the first Pinion 5, in one Turn of the Great-Wheel 55, or (which is the same) of the Second Wheel 45, which is on the same Spindle with that Pinion 5; so there are 9 times 11 Turns in the second Pinion 5, or Wheel 40 in one Turn of the Great-Wheel 55. If you multiply 99 by the last Quotient 8 (that is, 8 times 99 is 792) it shews the number of Turns, which the third and last Pinion 5 hath. So that this third and last Pinion turns 792 times in one Turn of the first Wheel 55. Another Example will make it still more

the hook, as is shewn in the last Paragraph: Which I note here now once for all.

more plain. The example is in the Margin. The Turns are 10, 9, and 8. These multiplied as before, run thus, *viz.* 10 times 9 is 90, that is,

15 the Pinion 6 (which is the Pinion of the third Wheel 40 and runs in the second Wheel 54) turns 90 times in one Turn of the first Wheel 80. This last product 90 being multiplied by 8, produces 720; that is, the Pinion 5 (which is the Pin of the Crown-Wheel 15) turns 720 times in one Turn of the first Wheel, of 80 teeth.

§. 5. We may now proceed to that, which is the very Groundwork of all; which is, not only to find out the Turns, but the Beats also of the Ballance in those Turns of the Wheels. By the last paragraph, having found out the number of Turns, which the Crown-Wheel hath in one Turn of the Wheel you seek for, you must then multiply those Turns of the Crown-Wheel by it's number of Notches, and this will give you half the number of Beats, in that one Turn of the Wheel. Half the number, I say, for the reasons in the following 6 §. For the Explication of what hath been said, we will take the example in the last §: the Crown-

Crown-Wheel there, has (as hath been said) 720 Turns to one Turn of the first Wheel: This number multiplied by 15 (the Notches in the Crown-Wheel), produceth 10800, which are half the number of strokes of the Ballance, in one Turn of the first Wheel 80. The like may be done for any of the other Wheels; as the Wheel 54, or 40: but I shall not insist upon these, having said enough.

I shall give but one Example more, which will fully, and very plainly illustrate the whole matter. The example is in the Margin, and 'tis of the old 16 hour Watches, wherein the Pinion of Report is 4, the Dial-Wheel 32, the Great-Wheel is 55, the Pinion of the second Wheel is 5, &c. the number of Notches in the Crown-Wheel are 17: the quotients, or number of turns in each, are 8, 11, 9, 8. All which being multiplied as before, make 6336: this number multiplied by 17, produceth 107712; which last sum is half the number of Beats in one Turn of the Dial-Wheel. The half number of Beats in one Turn of the Great-Wheel, you will find to be 13464: For 8 times

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 4)32(8 \\
 32 \\
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 0
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 5)55(11 \\
 55 \\
 \hline
 0
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 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 5)45(9 \\
 45 \\
 \hline
 0
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{r}
 5)40(8 \\
 40 \\
 \hline
 0
 \end{array}$$

17

17 is 136, which is the half number of Beats in one Turn of the Contrate-Wheel 40: and 9 times 136, is 1224, the half Beats in one Turn of the second Wheel: and 11 times 1224, is 13464, the half Beats in one Turn of the great Wheel 55. And 8 times this last, is 107712 before named. If you multiply this by the two Pallets, that is, double it, it is 215424, which is the number of Beats in one Turn of the Dial-Wheel, or 12 hours. If you would know how many Beats this Watch hath in an hour, 'tis but dividing the beats in 12 hours, into 12 parts, and it gives 17952, which is called the Train of the Watch, or Beats in an hour. If you divide this into 60 parts, it gives 299 and a little more, for the Beats in a minute. And so you may go on to seconds and thirds if you please.

Thus I have delivered my thoughts as plainly as I can, that I may be well understood; this being the very foundation of all the artificial part of Clock-work. And therefore let the young Practitioner exercise himself thoroughly in it, in more than one example.

If I have offended the more learned, quick-sighted Reader, by using many words; my desire to instruct the most ignorant

ignorant Artist, must plead my excuse.

§. 6. The Ballance or Swing hath two strokes to every tooth of the Crown-Wheel *. For each of the two Pallets hath it's blow against each tooth of the Crown-Wheel: wherefore a Pendulum that swings Seconds, hath it's Crown-Wheel only 30 teeth.

S E C T. II.

The way to calculate or contrive the Numbers of a piece of Watch-Work.

HAVING in the last Section led on the Reader to a general knowledge of Calculation; I may now venture him further into the more obscure and useful parts of that Art: which I shall explain with all possible plainness, tho' less brevity than I could wish.

§. 1. Two Wheels and Pinions of different numbers may perform the same motion. As, a Wheel of 96 drives a Pinion of 4, all one as a Wheel of 45 drives a Pinion of 5; or as a Wheel of 90

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* Sir J. Moor's Math. Comp. p. 116.

drives a Pinion of 10. The turns of each are 9. Therefore

§. 2. In contriving a piece of work, you may make use of one Wheel and one Pinion, or many Wheels and many Pinions, provided that the many Wheels and many Pinions have the same proportion, that the one Wheel and one Pinion have. An example or two of which will make the matter plain. Suppose instead of a Wheel of 1440 Teeth (too large a Number for one Wheel) and a Pinion of 28 Leaves, you had rather make use of 3 Wheels and 3 Pinions: you may make use of 3 Wheels of 36, 8, and 5, and 3 Pinions of 4, 7 and 1; which being multiplied together, continually make the two Sums, *viz.* 36 times 8 is 288, and 5 times that is 1440. And 4, 7 and 1 so multiplied, makes 28, the very Sums of the one Wheel, and one Pinion.

Or you may by §. 1 make use of different Numbers, which will perform the same Motion, although they reach not the same Numbers. As in the Wheel 1440 and Pinion 28, there are $51 \frac{2}{7}$ Turns. Now any Number of Wheels and Pinions that will affect the same Number $51 \frac{2}{7}$ Turns, will perform the same

same Motion, as that one Wheel and one Pinion. Future examples will make all plain.

§. 3. In placing the Wheels and Pinions it matters not in what order they are set; nor indeed which Pinion runs in which Wheel. Only for beauty and convenience, they place them orderly according to their different Sizes and Numbers.

§. 4. If in breaking your Train into parcels (of which by and by) any of your Quotients should not please you; or if you would alter any other two Numbers, which are to be multiplyed together, you may vary them by this Rule: * Divide your two Numbers by any two other Numbers which will measure them; and then multiply the Quotients by the alternate Divisors, the product of these two last Numbers found, shall be equal to the Product of the two Numbers first given. Thus if you would vary 36 times 8, divide these by any two Numbers, that will evenly measure them, as 36 by 4, and 8 by 1. The fourth part of 36 is 9, and 8 divided by 1 gives 8. Multiply 9 by 1, the Product

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* Oughtred, Autom. §. 23.

duct is 9; and 8 multiplyed by 4 produceth 32. So that for 36 times 9 8 8 you shall have found 32 times 36 x 8 9. The operation is in the 4 1 Margin, that you may see, and ————— apprehend it the better. These 32 x 9 Numbers are equal, *viz.* 36 times 8 is equal to 32 times 9; both producing 288. If you divide 36 by 6, and 8 by 2, and multiply as before is said, you will have for 36 times 8, 24 times 12, equal to 288 also.

If this Rule seem to the unskilful Reader hard to be understood, let him not be discouraged, because he may do without it, altho' it may be of good use to him that would be a more compleat Artist.

§. 5. Because in the following Paragraphs, I shall have frequent occasion to use the Rule of Three, or Rule of Proportion, it will be necessary to shew the unskilful Reader how to work this noble Rule.

If you find 3 or 4 Numbers thus set, with four spots after the second of them, 'tis the Rule of Proportion: as in this Example, 2.4 :: 3.6. *i.e.* As 2 is to 4 :: So is 3 to 6.

The way to work this Rule, *viz.* by the 3 first Numbers to find a fourth, is, to multiply the second Number and the third together, and divide their Product by the first. Thus 4 times 3 is 12, which 12 divided by 2, gives 6; which is the Number sought for, and stands in the fourth place.

You will find the great use of this Rule hereafter; only take care to bear it in mind all along. But if there should be occasion for any farther Instructions in this *Rule of Three*, I refer the Reader to the Arithmeticians.

§. 6. To proceed. If in seeking for your Pinion of Report, or by any other Means, you happen to have a Wheel and Pinion fall out with cross Numbers, too big to be cut in Wheels, and yet not to be altered by the former Rules, you may find out two Numbers of the same, or a near Proportion, by this following Rule*, *viz.* As either of the 2 Numbers given, is to the other :: So is 360 to a fourth: divide that fourth Number, as also 360 by any aliquot Parts, as 4. 5. 6. 8. 9. 10. 12. 15. (each of which Numbers doth exactly measure 360) or by any one of those Numbers that

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* Id. ibid. Sect. 24.

bringeth a Quotient nearest to an Integer (or whole Number). Thus if you had these two Numbers, 147 the Wheel, and 170 the Pinion, which are too great to be cut in small Wheels, and yet can't be reduced into les, because they have no other common Measure, but Unity: say therefore according to the last Paragraph *, As 170 is to 147; or as 147 is to 170 :: So is 360 to a fourth Number sought. In Numbers thus, 170. 147 :: 360. 311. or 147. 170 :: 360. 416. Divide the fourth Number, and 360 by one of the foregoing Numbers; as 311 and 360 by 6, it gives 52 and 60. In Numbers 'tis thus:

6) 311(52 Divide by 8 'tis thus, 8) 311(39
 $\underline{360}(60)$ 360(45
 If you divide 360 and 416 by 8, it will fall out exactly to be 45 and 52.8) 460(45
 $\underline{316}(52)$

Wherefore for the two Numbers 147 and 170, you may take 52 and 60; or 39 and 45; or 45 and 52, or &c.

§. 7. I shall add but one Rule more before I come to the Practice of what hath been laid down; which Rule will be of perpetual use, and consists of these five particulars.

I. To

* See Sect. 4.

1. *To find what Number of Turns the Fusy will have, thus* * : As the Beats of the Ballance in one turn of the great Wheel or Fusy (suppose 26928) to the Beats of the Ballance in one Hour (suppose 20196) :: So is the Continuance of the Watch's going in Hours (suppose 16) to the Number of the Turns of the Fusy 12. In Numbers it will stand thus, 26928. 20196 :: 16. 12. By §. 4. you may remember, that you are to multiply 20196 by 16, the Product is 323136. Divide this by 26928, and there will arise 12 in the Quotient, which must be placed in the fourth place, and is the Number of Turns, which the Fusy hath.

2. *By the Beats and Turns of the Fusy, to find how may Hours the Watch will go:* Thus,

As the Beats of the Ballance in one Hour, are to the Beats in one Turn of the Fusy :: So is the Number of the Turns of the Fusy, to the Continuance of the Watch's going. In Numbers thus,

$$20196. 26928 :: 12. 16$$

3. *To find the strokes of the Ballance in one Turn of the Fusy:* say, As the Number of Turns of the Fusy, to the Con-

* Oughtred, Sect. 18. Sir J. Moor, ibid. p. 109.

tinuance of the Watch's going in Hours :: So are the Beats in one Hour, to the Beats of one Turn of the Fusy. In Numbers it is thus,

$$12. 16 :: 20196. 26928.$$

4. *To find the Beats of the Ballance in an Hour* : say thus, As the Hours of the Watch's going, to the Number of Turns of the Fusy :: So are the Beats in one Turn of the Fusy, to the Beats in an Hour. In Numbers thus,

$$16. 12 :: 26928. 20196.$$

5. *To find what Quotient is to be laid upon the Pinion of Report* : say thus, As the Beats in one Turn of the great Wheel, to the Beats in an Hour :: So are the Hours of the Face of the Clock (*viz.* 12 or 24) to the Quotient of the Hour-Wheel or Dial-Wheel, divided by the Pinion of Report, *i. e.* the number of Turns, which the Pinion of Report hath in one turn of the Dial-Wheel. In Numbers thus:

$$26928. 20196 :: 12. 9.$$

Or rather (to avoid trouble) say thus, As the Hours of the Watch's going, are to the Numbers of the Turns of the Fusy :: So are the Hours of the Face, to the Quotient of the Pinion of Report. In Numbers thus, 16. 12 :: 12. 9. If

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the Hours of the Face be 24, the Quotient will be 18; thus, 16. 12 :: 24. 18.

N. B. This Rule may be made serve to lay the Pinion of Report on any other Wheel thus, As the Beats in one Turn of any Wheel to the Beats in an Hour :: So are the Hours of the Face, or Dial-Plate of the Watch, to the Quotient of the Dial-Wheel divided by the Pinion of Report, fixed on the Spindle of the aforesaid Wheel.

§. 8. Having given a full Account of all things necessary to the understanding the Art of Calculation, I shall now reduce what hath been said into Practice, by shewing how to proceed, in calculating a Piece of Watch-Work.

The first thing you are to do, is to pitch upon your *Train*, or Beats of the Ballance in an Hour: as, whether a swift Train, about 20000 Beats (which is the usual Train of one of the old common 30 Hour Pocket-Watches) or a flower Train of about 16000 (the Train of the new Pendulum Pocket-Watches); or any other *Train*.

Having thus pitched upon your *Train*, you must next resolve upon the Number of Turns you intend your Fusy shall have,

have, and also upon the Number of Hours, you would have your Piece to go: As suppose 12 Turns; and to go 30 Hours, or 192 Hours (which is 8 Days) or &c.

These things being all soon determined; you next proceed to find out the Beats of the Ballance, or Pendulum, in one Turn of the Fusy, by the last §. 6. part 3. *viz.* As the Turns of the Fusy, to the Hours of the Watch's going :: So is the Train, to the Number of Beats in one Turn of the Fusy. In Numbers thus, 12. 16 :: 20000. 26666. Which last Number are the Beats in one Turn of the Fusy, or great Wheel; and (by Sect. I. §. 5. of this Chap.) are equal to the Quotients of all the Wheels unto the Ballance multiplied together. This Number therefore is to be broken into a convenient parcel of Quotients; which you are to do after this Manner. First, half your Number of Beats, *viz.* 26666, for the Reasons in Sect. I. §. 6. of this Chap. the half whereof is 13333. Next you are to pitch upon the Number of your Crown-Wheel, as suppose 17. Divide 13333 by 17, the Quotient will be 784 (or to speak in the Language of one that understands not Arithmetick, divide

13333 into 17 parts, and 784 will be one of them). This 784 is the Number left for the Quotients (or Turns) of the rest of the Wheels and Pinions: which being too big for one or two Quotients, may be best broken into three. Chuse therefore 3 Numbers, which when multiplied all together continually will come nearest 784. As suppose you take 10, 9, and 9. Now 10 times 9 is 90; and 9 times 90 is 810, which is somewhat too much. You may therefore try again other Numbers, as suppose 11, 9, and 8. These multiplied as the last, produce 792, which is as near as can be, and convenient Quotients also.

Thus you have contrived your Piece, from the great Wheel to the Ballance. But the Numbers not falling out exactly according as you at first proposed, you must correct your Work thus. First, to find out the true Number of Beats, in one Turn of the Fusy, you must multiply 792 aforesaid, (which is the true Product of all the Quotients you pitched upon) by 17, the Notches of the Crown-Wheel; the Product of this is 13464, which is half the Number of true Beats in one Turn of the Fusy, by Sect. I. §. 5. of this Chap. Then to find the true

Number

Number of Beats in an Hour, say by §. 6. part 4. of this Section. As the Hours of the Watch's going, *viz.* 16 to the 12 Turns of the Fusy :: So is 13464 the half Beats in one Turn of the Fusy, to 10098 the half Beats in an Hour: the Numbers will stand thus, 16. 12 :: 13464. 10098.

Then to know what Quotient is to be laid upon the Pinion of Report, say by §. 6. part 5. of this Section. As the Hours of the Watch's going, *viz.* 16 to the Turns of the Fusy, *viz.* 12 :: So are the Hours of the Dial-Plate, *viz.* 12, to the Quotient of the Pinion of Report fixed on the great Wheel. In Numbers thus, 16. 12 :: 12. 9.

Having thus found out all your Quotients, 'tis easy to determine what Numbers your Wheels shall have: for chuse what Numbers your Pinions shall have, and multiply the Pinions by their Quotients, and that produceth the Number 3 for your Wheels, as you see in the Margin. Thus 4 is the Number of your Pinion of Report, and 9 it's Quotient; therefore 4 times 9, which makes 36, is the Number for the Dial-Wheel.

4)36(9

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5)55(11

5)45(9

5)40(8

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Wheel. So the next Pinion being 5, and it's Quotient 11, this multiplied produces 55 for the great Wheel. And the like of the rest of the following Numbers.

Thus, as plain as words can express it, I have shewed how to calculate the Number of a 16 hour Watch.

§. 8. This Watch may be made to go a longer time, by lessening the Train, and altering the Pinion of Report *. Suppose you could conveniently slacken the Train to 16000, the half of which is 8000. Then say (by §. 6. part 2. of this Sect.) As the halfed Train, or Beats in an Hour, *viz.* 8000, to the half Beats in one Turn of the Fusy, *viz.* 13464 : : So are the turns of the Fusy, *viz.* 12, to the Hours of the Watch's going : in Numbers thus, 8000. 13464 : : 12. 20. So that this Watch will go 20 Hours.

Then for the Pinion of Report, say, by the same §. part 5, As (20 the continuance) to 12 (the Turns of the Fusy) : : So are 12 (the Hours of the Face) to 7, the Quotient of the Pinion of Report. In Numbers thus, 20. 12 : 12. 7.

* *Oughtred*, Sect. 28.

~~4) 28(7~~
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~~5) 55(11~~
~~5) 45(9~~
~~5) 40(8~~
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The Work is the same as before, as to the Numbers ; only the Dial-Wheel is but 28, because it's Quotient is altered to 7 ; as appears in the Margin, by the Scheme of the Work.

17. §. 9. I shall give the Reader one Example more, for the sake of shewing him the use of some of the foregoing Rules, not yet taken Notice of in the former Operations. Suppose you would give Numbers to a Watch of about 10000 Beats in an Hour, to have 12 Turns of the Fusy, to go 170 Hours, and 17 Notches in the Crown-Wheel.

This Work is the same as in the last Example, §. 7. In short therefore, thus, As the Turns 12 : are to the Continuance 170 :: So is the Train 10000, to 141666, which are the Beats in one Turn of the Fusy. The Numbers will stand thus, 12. 170 :: 10000. 141666. Half this last is 70833. Divide this half into 17 Parts, and 4167 will be for the Quotients. And because this Number is too big for 3 Quotients, therefore chuse 4 : as suppose 10, 8, 8, and $6\frac{3}{5}$ (i. e. 6 and $\frac{3}{5}$ fifths). These multiplied together as before,

before, and with 17, maketh 71808, which are half the true Beats in one Turn of the Fusy. By this you are to find out your true Train first, saying in the former Example, as 170 to 12 : So 71808, to 5069 ; which last is the half of the true Train of your Watch. Then for the Pinion of Report, say, as 170 to 12 :: So 12 to $\frac{144}{170}$. Which Fraction ariseth thus : If you multiply 12 by 12, it makes 144 ; and divide 144 by 170, you cannot ; but setting the 144 (the Dividend) over 170, (the Divisor) and there ariseth this Fraction $\frac{144}{170}$, which is a Wheel and Pinion ; the lower is the Pinion of Report, and the upper is the Dial-Wheel, according to Sect. 1. §. 3. of this Chapter. Or (which perhaps will be more plain to the unlearned Reader) you may leave those two Numbers, in their divisional posture thus, 170) 144, which does express the Pinion and Wheel *, in the way I have hitherto made use of.

But to proceed. These Numbers being too big to be cut in small Wheels, may be varied, as you see a like Example in §. 6. of this Section, *viz.* say,

As

* Sect. 1. §. 3.

As 144 is to 170 :: So is
~~24)20(2 1/4~~ 360 to 425. Or As 170
 to 144 :: So is 360 to 305.
 In Numbers thus, 144.
 16)60(10 170 :: 360. 425. Or 170.
 6)48(8 144 :: 360. 305. Divide
 5)40(8 360, and either of these
 5)33(6 2/5 two fourth and last Num-
 bers by 4, 5, 6, 8, &c.
 (as is directed in the Rule
 last cited.) If you divide by 8, you will
 have for your Numbers $\frac{1}{1} \frac{4}{7} \frac{4}{5}$ or $\frac{4}{5} \frac{5}{3}$.
 If you divide by 15 (which will not
 bring it so near an Integer) you will have
 $\frac{2}{1} \frac{4}{5}$ or $\frac{2}{3} \frac{1}{4}$: which last are the Numbers
 set down in the Margin; where the
 Numbers of the whole Movement are
 set down.

§. 10. Having said enough, I think,
 concerning the Calculation of ordinary
 Watches, to shew the Hour of the Day:
 I shall next proceed to such as shew
 Minutes and Seconds. The Process
 whereof is thus; first, having resolved
 upon your Beats in an Hour, you are
 next to find how many Beats there will
 be in a Minute, by dividing your design-
 ed Train into 60 Parts. And according-
 ly you are to find out such proper Num-
 bers for your Crown-Wheel, and Quo-
 tients,

tients, as that the Minute-Wheel shall go round once in an Hour, and the Seconds-Wheel once in a Minute.

An Example will make all plain. Let us chuse a Pendulum of 7 inches length *, which by the following Pendulum Table vibrates 142 Strokes in a Minute, and 8520 in an Hour †. These Sums being halved are 71, and 4260. Now the first Work to be done is to break this half Number of Minutes 71 into good Proportions; which will fall as near as may be into one Quotient, and the Crown-Wheel. First, for the Crown-Wheel; let it have 15 Notches. Divide 71 aforesaid by this 15, the Quotient will be nearly 5. And so this first Work is done; for a Crown-Wheel of 15, and a Wheel and Pinion, whose Quotient is 5 (as in the Margin) will go round in a Minute, to carry a Hand to shew Seconds, if you please.

Next for a Hand to go round in an Hour to shew Minutes. Now because there are 60 Minutes in an Hour, 'tis but breaking 60 into two good Quotients (which may be 10 and 6, or

8)40(5

15

8)64(8

8)60(7 $\frac{1}{2}$

8)40(5

15

6, or

6, or 8 and $7\frac{1}{2}$, or &c.) and the Work is done.

Thus your Number 4260 is broken, as near as can be, into proper Numbers.

But because it does not fall out exactly into the above-mentioned Numbers, you must correct (as you were directed before) and find out the true Number of Beats in an Hour, by multiplying 15 by 5, which makes 75; and this by 60 makes 4500: which is the half of the true Train. Then to find out the Beats in one Turn of the Fusy, operate as before, *viz.* As the Number of Turns (16)*, to the Continuance 192 :: So is 4500 to 54000, which are half the Beats in one Turn of the Fusy. In Numbers thus, 16. 192 :: 4500. 54000. This 54000, must be divided by 4500, which are the true Numbers already pitched upon, or Beats in an Hour. The Quotient of this

Division is 12, which being not too big for one single Quotient, needs not be divided into more. The Work will stand, as you see in the Margin.

As to the Hour-Hand, the great Wheel (which performs

* §. 6. Par. 3. §. 7.

9) 108 (12
8) 64 (8
8) 60 (7 $\frac{1}{2}$
8) 40 (5

forms only one Revolution in 12 Turns of the Minute-Wheel) will shew the Hour. Or rather you may order it to be done by the Minute-Wheel, as shall be shewed hereafter.

§. 11. I shall add but one Example more, and so conclude this Section ; and that is, to calculate the Numbers of a Piece whose Pendulum swings Seconds, to shew the Hour, Minutes, and Seconds, and to go 8 Days ; which is the usual performance of those Movements called *Royal Pendulums* at this Day. First, cast up the Number of Seconds in 12 Hours (which are the Beats in one Turn of the great Wheel). These are 12 times 60 Minutes, and 60 times that, gives 43200, which are the Seconds in 12 Hours. Half this Number (for the Reasons before) is 21600 *. The Swing-Wheel must needs be 30 to swing 60 Seconds in one of it's Revolutions. Divide 21600 by it, and 720 is the Quotient, or Number left to be broken into Quotients. Of these Quotients, the first must needs be 12 for the great Wheel, which moves round once in 12 Hours. Divide 720 by 12, the Quotient is 60 ; which may be conveniently broken into two Quo-
D 2 tients,

* Sir J. Moor, ib. p. 116.

tients, as 10 and 6, or 5 and 12, or 8 and $7\frac{1}{2}$, which last is most
 $8)96(12$ convenient. And if you take
 $8)64(8$ all the Pinions 8, the Work
 $8)60(7\frac{1}{2}$ will stand as in the Margin.

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 30 According to this computa-
 tion, the great Wheel will go
 about once in 12 Hours, to
 shew the Hour, if you please: the Se-
 cond-Wheel once in an Hour, to shew
 the Minutes; and the Swing-Wheel once
 in a Minute, to shew the Seconds.

Thus I have endeavoured with all
 possible plainness, to unravel this most
 mysterious, as well as useful part of
 Watch-Work. In which, if I have of-
 fended the more learned Reader, by un-
 artificial Terms, or multitude of Words,
 I desire the fault may be laid upon my
 earnest Intent to condescend to the mean-
 est Capacity.

S E C T. III.

To calculate the Striking-Part of a Clock.

HAVING in the preceding Section
 shew'd, as clearly as I could, the
 way of calculating Numbers for the
 Watch-Part, I shall in this do the same
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for the *Clock*, or *Striking-Part*. Which having never been treated before, I shall reduce to *as plain Rules and Method as I can.*

§. 1. Altho' this Part consists of many Wheels and Pinions, yet respect needs to be had only to the *Count-Wheel*, *Striking-Wheel*, and *Detent-Wheel*, which move round in this Proportion; the *Count-Wheel* moveth round commonly once in 12, or 24 Hours. The *Detent-Wheel* moves round every stroke the Clock striketh, sometimes but once in two strokes. From whence it follows,

1. That as many Pins as are in the Pin-Wheel, so many Turns hath the Detent-Wheel, in one Turn of the Pin-Wheel. Or (which is the same) the Pins of the Pin-Wheel are the *Quotient* of that Wheel, divided by the Pinion of the Detent-Wheel. But if the Detent-Wheel moveth but once round in two strokes of the Clock, then the said *Quotient* is but half the Number of Pins.

2. As many Turns of the Pin-Wheel as are required to perform the Strokes of 12 Hours (which are 78), so many Turns must the Pinion of Report have, to turn round the Count-Wheel once. Or, thus: divide 78 by the Number of Striking-

Pins, and the Quotient thereof shall be the Quotient for the Pinion of Report, and the Count-Wheel. All this is, in case the Pinion of Report be fixed to the Arbor of the Pin-Wheel, as is very commonly done.

All this I take to be very plain: or if it be not, the Example in the Margin will clear all difficulties. Here the

$$\begin{array}{r} 8)48(6 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6)78(13 \text{ pins} \\ 6)60(10 \\ 6)48(8 \end{array}$$

 Locking-Wheel is 48, the Pinion of Report is 8, the Pin-Wheel is 78, the Striking-Pins are 13. And so of the rest. I need only to remark here, that 78 being divided by the 13 Pins, gives 6; which is the Quotient of the Pinion of Report: as was before hinted.

As for the *Warning-Wheel* and *Flying-Pinion*, it matters little what Numbers they have, their use being only to bridle the rapidity of the Motion of the other Wheels.

Besides the last observation, there are other ways to find out the Pinion of Report, which will fall under the next Section.

§. 2. These following Rules will be of great use in this Part of Calculation, *viz.*

Rule

Rule 1. To find how many Strokes the Clock striketh in one Turn of the Fusy or Barrel.

As the Number of Turns of the great Wheel, or Fusy;

. To the Days of the Clock's continuance;

:: So is the Number of Strokes in 24 Hours, *viz.* 156,

. To the Strokes in one Turn of the Fusy, or great Wheel.

Rule 2. To find how many Days the Clock will go.

As the Number of Strokes in 24 Hours, which are 156,

. To the Strokes in one Turn of the Fusy or great Wheel,

:: So are the Turns of the Fusy, or great Wheel,

. To the Days of the Clock's continuance, or going.

Rule 3. To find the Number of Turns of the Fusy or Barrel.

As the Strokes in one Turn of the Fusy,

. To the Strokes of 24 Hours, *viz.* 156,

:: So is the Clock's continuance,

. To the Number of Turns of the Fusy, or great Wheel.

These two last Rules are of no great use (as the first is) but may serve to correct your Work, if need be, when in breaking your Strokes into Quotients (of which presently) you cannot come near the true Number, but a good many Strokes are left remaining. In this Case, by Rule 2. you may find whether the Continuance of your Clock be to your mind. And by this Rule 3, you may enlarge or diminish the Number of Turns for this Purpose. The Praxis hereof will follow by and by.

The two following Rules are to find fit Numbers for the Pinion of Report, and the Locking-Wheel, besides what is said before §. 1. Inference 2.

Rule 4. To fix the Pinion of Report on the Spindle of the great Wheel.

As the Number of Strokes in the Clock's Continuance, or in all it's Turns of the Fusy,

. To the Turns of the Fusy,

:: So are the Strokes in 12 Hours which are 78,

. To the Quotient of the Pinion of Report, fixed upon the Arbor of the great Wheel,

But

But if you would fix it to any other Wheel, you may do it thus, as is before hinted, *viz.* *

Rule 5. First find out the Number of Strokes in one Turn of the Wheel you intend to fix your Pinion of Report upon; (which I shall shew you how to do in the following §.) divide 78 by this Number, and the Number arising in the Quotient, is the Quotient of the Pinion of Report.

Or thus. Take the Number of Strokes in one Turn of the Wheel, for the Number of the Pinion of Report, and 78 for the Count (or Locking) Wheel, and vary them to lesser Numbers, by Sect. 2. §. 5. of this Chapter.

The foregoing Rules, are of greatest use, in Clocks of a larger Continuance; altho' where they can be applyed, they will indifferently serve all. But the Rule following (which will serve larger Clocks too) I add chiefly for the use of lesser Pieces, whose Continuance is accounted by Hours.

Rule 6. This Rule is to find the Strokes in the Clock's Continuance, *viz.* As 12, is to 78 :: So are the Hours of the Clock's

Clock's continuance, to the Number of Strokes in that time.

This Rule (I said) may be made use of for the largest Clock; but then you must be at the trouble of reducing the Days into Hours. Whereas the shortest way is to multiply the Strokes in one Turn of the great Wheel, by the Number of Turns of the Fusy. Thus in an 8 Day Piece, the Strokes in one Turn are 78. These multiplied by 16, (the Turns) produce 1248; which are the Strokes in the Clock's continuance. If you work by the foregoing Rule, the Hours of 8 Days are 192. Then say, 12. 78 :: 192. 1248.

§. 3. In this Paragraph, I shall shew the use of the preceding Rules, and by Example make all plain that might seem obscure in them.

I begin with small Pieces: of which but briefly. And first, having pitched upon the Number of Turns, and the continuance of your Clock, you must find, by the last Rule, how many Strokes are in it's continuance. Then (if you make the great Wheel the Pin-Wheel) divide these Strokes by the Number of Turns, and you have the Number of Striking-Pins. Or divide by the Number

ber of Pins, and you have the Number of Turns.

Thus a Clock of 30 Hours, with 15 Turns of the great Wheel, hath 195 Strokes. For by the last Rule, 12. 78 :: 30. 195. Divide 195 by 15, it gives 13 for the Striking-Pins.

Or, if you chuse 13 for your Number of Pins, and divide 195 by it, it gives 15, for the Number of Turns, as you see in the Margin.

As for the Pinion of Report, and the rest of the Wheels, enough is said in §. 1.

But suppose you would calculate the Numbers of a Clock of much longer continuance, which would necessitate you to make your Pin-Wheel further distant from the great Wheel, you are to proceed thus: Having resolved upon your Turns, you must find out the Number of Strokes in one Turn of the great Wheel, or Fusy, by §. 2. Rule 1. Thus in an 8 Day Piece, of 16 Turns, 16. 8 :: 156. 78. So in a Piece of 32 Days, and 16 Turns, 16. 32 :: 156. 312. (See the operation of these Numbers in the Rule referred unto.) These Strokes so found out, are the Number which is to be

be broken into a convenient parcel of Quotients, thus;

First resolve upon your Number of Striking-Pins: divide the last named Number by it: the Quotient arising hence, is to be one, or more Quotients, for the Wheels and Pinions. As in the last Examples, divide 78 (the Number of Strokes in one Turn of the Fusy) by 8 (the usual Number of Pins in an 8 Day Piece) and the Quotient is $9\frac{3}{4}$; which is a Quotient little enough. So in the Month Piece: if you take your Pins 8, divide 312 (the Number of Strokes in one Turn of the Fusy) by it, the Quotient is 39. Which being too big for one, must be broken into two Quotients, for Wheels and Pinions, or as near as can be: 10)65(6 $\frac{1}{2}$ which may be 7 and 5, 8)48(6 16)48(8 pins or 6 and 6 $\frac{1}{2}$. The latter is exactly 39, and may therefore stand: as you see in the Margin.

The Quotients being thus determined, and accordingly the Wheels and Pinions, as you see; the next Work is to find a Quotient for the Pinion of Report, to carry round the Count (or Locking) Wheel once in 12 Hours, or as you please.

please. If you fix your Pinion of Report on the great Wheel-Arbor, you must operate by Rule 4. of the last Paragraph. As in the last Example of the Month Piece: by Rule 6. before the Strokes in the continuance of the Clock's going are 4992. Then by Rule 4. say, 4992. 16 $\therefore 78 \frac{4992}{16}$; or thus, for a Pinion and Wheel 4992 (1248. The first of which two Numbers is the Pinion, the next is the Wheel. Which being too large, may be varied to $\frac{36}{9}$ or 36(9; or to $\frac{12}{6}$ or 24(6, by Sect. 2. §. 6. before.

These Numbers being not the usual Numbers of a Month Piece, but only made use of by me, as better illustrating the foregoing Rules; I shall therefore, for the fuller Explication of what has been said, briefly touch upon the Calculation of the more useful Numbers. They commonly increase the Number of Striking-Pins, and so make the second Wheel the Striking-Wheel. Suppose you take 24 Pins; divide 312 (the Number of Strokes in one Turn of the Fusy) by it, and the Quotient is 13. Which is little enough for one Quotient; and may therefore stand as you see is done in the Margin:

8) 104(13
6) 72(12.24 pins

where

where the Quotient of the first Wheel is 13. In the second Wheel of 72 Teeth, are the 24 Pins, altho' it's Quotient is but 12, because the Hoop-Wheel is double, and goes round but once in two Strokes of the Pin-Wheel.

The Pinion of Report here, is the same with the last, if fixed upon the Arbor of the great Wheel. But if you fix it on the Arbor of the second, or Pin-Wheel, it's Quotient then is found by §. 1. Infer. 2. or by §. 2. Rule 5. before: *viz.* divide 78 by 24, and the Number arising in the Quotient, is the Quotient of the Pinion of Report, 12)39(3 $\frac{1}{4}$ which is $3\frac{1}{4}$. The Pinion of Report then being 12. the Count-Wheel will be 39, as in the Margin.

To perfect the Reader in this Part of Calculation, I will finish this Section with the Calculation of a Year Piece of Clock-Work. The Process whereof is the same with the last, and therefore I may be more brief with this, except where I have not touched upon the foregoing Rules.

We will chuse a Piece to go 395 Days with 16 Turns, and 26 Striking-Pins. By §. 2. Rule 1. there are 3851 Strokes in

in one Turn of the great Wheel. For $16.395 :: 156.3851^*$. This last Number divided by the 26 Pins, leaves 148 in the Quotient, to be broken into two or more Quotients, for Wheels and Pinions. These Quotients may be 12 and 12; which multiplied makes 144, which is as near as can well be to 148, without Fractions. The Work thus far contrived, will stand as you see in the Margin.

$$\begin{array}{r} 10) 120(12 \\ 8) 96(12 \\ 78 | 26 \text{ pins} \end{array}$$

Before you go any further, you may correct your Work, and see how near your Numbers come to what you proposed at first, because they did not fall out exact, and first, for the true continuance of your Clock: If you multiply 12, 12, and 26 (i. e. the Quotients and the Striking-Pins) you have the true Number of Strokes, in one Turn of the great Wheel: Which, in this Example, make 3744. For 12 times 12 is 144; and 26 times that, is 3744. (This Direction I would have noted, and remembred, as a Rule useful at any time to discover the Nature of any Piece of Clock-Work.) Having thus the true Number of Strokes desired,

by

by §. 2. Rule 2. you may find the true continuance to be only 384 Days. For 156. 3744 :: 16. 384. If this continuance doth not please you, you may come nearer to your first proposed Number of 395 Days, by a small increase of the Number of Turns, according to §. 2. Rule 3. viz. by making your Turns almost $16 \frac{1}{2}$. For 3744. 156 :: 395. 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ almost.

Thus much may serve for the exercise of the young Practitioner: but he may, if

he pleases, by the help of Fractions, come up
 $10)120(12$ exactly to his Quotient
 $6)74(12\frac{1}{3}$
 $78\mid 26$ pins 148, by taking 12 and $12\frac{1}{3}$ for his two Quotients: in which Case, the Work will be as it stands in the Margin.

Lastly, For the Pinion of Report, if you fix it upon the great Wheel, it will require an excessive Number: if you fix it upon the Pin-Wheel (which is usual) then by §. 2. Rule 5. the Quotient is 3; and the Pinion of Report being 13, the Count-Wheel will be 39; as you see in the Margin.

But for the better exercising the Reader, let us fix it upon the Spindle of the second

second Wheel 96. It's Quotient is 12; which multiplied by 26 (the Pins) produceth 312; which are the Strokes in one Turn of that Second-Wheel. Then by §. 2. Rule 5. divide 78 by 312. *i. e.* set them as a Wheel and Pinion thus, 312(78, and vary them to lesser Numbers by Sect. 2. §. 5.) *viz.* 36(9, or to 24(6 or the like, and the Work is done.

I think it needless to say any thing of Pocket-Clocks, whose Calculation is the very same, with what goes before.

That the unlearned Reader may not think any thing going before difficult, I need only to advise him, to look over the working of the Rule of Proportion, in Sect. 2. §. 4. For I think all will be plain, if that be well understood.

S E C T. IV.

Of Quarters and Chimes.

THIS being a Part of Clock-Work, which was never before treated of, the Reader will expect I should say something about it: but because there is little, but what is purely mechanical in it, I shall say the less, and leave the Reader to his own Invention.

§. 1. The *Quarters* are generally a distinct Part from the Clock-Part, which striketh the Hour.

The *Striking-Wheel* may be the First, Second, or &c. Wheel, according to your Clock's continuance. Unto which Wheel you may fix the Pinion of Report.

The *Locking-Wheel* must be divided (as other Locking-Wheels) into 4, 8, or more unequal Parts, so as to strike the Quarter, and lock at the first Notch; the half Hour, and lock at the second Notch, &c. And in doing this you may make it to chime the *Quarters*, or strike them upon two Bells, or more.

'Tis usual for the Pin-Wheel, or the Locking-Wheel, to unlock the Hour-Part in these Clocks; which is easily done by some Jogg or Latch, at the end of the last Quarter, to lift up the Detents of the Hour-Part.

If you would have your Clock strike the Hour, at the half Hour, as well as whole Hour, you must make the Locking-Wheel of the Hour-Part double: i. e. it must have two Notches of a sort to strike 1, 2, 3, 4, &c. twice a Piece.

§. 2. As for *Chimes*, I need say nothing of the Lifting-Pieces and Detents, to lock and

and unlock ; nor of the Wheels to bridle the Motion of the Barrel, that being purely mechanical. Only you are to observe, that the Barrel must be as long in turning round, as the Measure or Length of the Tune, or as you are in singing the Tune it is to play. As for the *Chime-Barrel*, it may be made up of certain Bars, that run athwart it, with a convenient Number of Holes punched in them, to put the Pins in and out that are to draw each Hammer. By this Means you may change the Tune, without changing the Barrel. This was the way of the *Royal-Exchange* old Clock in *London*, and of others. In this Case, either the Bars must beat the Distance of the quicker Time, as a *Quaver*, &c; which could not well be admitted of ; or else at a wider Distance, as suppose of a *Semibrief*: And in this Case, the Pins, or Nuts which draw up the Hammers, are some only of them to stand upright in their Holes, and others to bend off more or less, as suppose a quarter, half, or $\frac{3}{4}$ of that Distance between each Bar, according as the Notes are a quarter, half, or $\frac{3}{4}$ of a *Semibrief*, or the Distance between each Bar. Concerning ths Reason of which, more by and by.

But the most usual way is, to have the Pins that draw the Hammers, fixed on the Barrel. For the placing of which Pins, you may make use of the musical Notes, or proceed by the way of Changes on Bells, *viz.* 1, 2, 3, 4, &c. The first being far the better way, I shall speak of that chiefly, especially because the latter will fall in to be explained with it.

And first, you are to observe what is the Compass of your Tune, or how many Notes or Bells there are from the highest to the lowest: and accordingly you must divide your Barrel from end to end. Thus in the Examples following, each of those Tunes are 8 Notes in Compass; and accordingly the Barrel is divided into 8 Parts. These Divisions are struck round the Barrel, opposite to which are the Hammer-Tails.

I speak here, as if there was only one Hammer to each Bell, that the Reader may more clearly apprehend what I am explaining. But when two Notes of the same Sound come together in a Tune, there must be two Hammers to that Bell, to strike it. So that if in all the Tunes you intend to chime, of 8 Notes Compass, there should happen to be such double Notes on every Bell, instead of 8,

you

you must have 16 Hammers: and accordingly you must divide your Barrel, and strike 16 strokes round it opposite to each Hammer-Tail. Thus much for dividing your Barrel from end to end.

In the next place, you are to divide it (round about) into as many Divisions, as there are musical Bars, Semibriefs, Minums, &c. in your Tune. Thus the 100th Psalm-Tune hath 20 Semibriefs; the Song-Tune following, hath 24 Barrs of triple Time: and accordingly their Barrels are divided. Each Division therefore of the 100th Psalm Barrel is a Semibrief, and of the Song-Tune 'tis three Crotchetts. And therefore the intermediate Spaces serve for the shorter Notes: as one third of a Division, is a Crotchet, in the Song-Tune. One half a Division, is a Minum; and one quarter, a Crotchet, in the Psalm-Tune. Thus the first Note in the 100th Psalm, is a Semibrief, and accordingly on the Barrel, 'tis a whole Division from 5 to 5. The second is a Minum, and therefore 6 is but a half a Division from 5; and so of the rest. And so also for the Song-Tune, which is shorter Time: the two first Notes being Quavers, are distant from one another, and from the third Pin, but half a third

Part of one of the Divisions. But the two next Pins (of the Bell 3, 3) being Crotchetts, are distant so many third Parts of a Division. And the next Pin (of the Bell 1) being a Minum, is distant from the following Pin (4) two thirds of a Division.

From what hath been said, you may conceive the surface of a Chime-Barrel to be represented in these Tables, as stretcheth out at length: or (to speak plainer) that if you wrap either of these Tables round a Barrel, the Dots in the Table, will shew the Places of the Pins to be set on the Barrel.

You may observe in the Tables, that from the end of each Table to the beginning, is the distance of two, or near two Divisions: which is for a Pause, between the end of the Tune, and it's beginning to chime again.

I need not say, that the Dots running about the Tables, are the Places of the Pins that are to draw the Hammers, and so play the Tune.

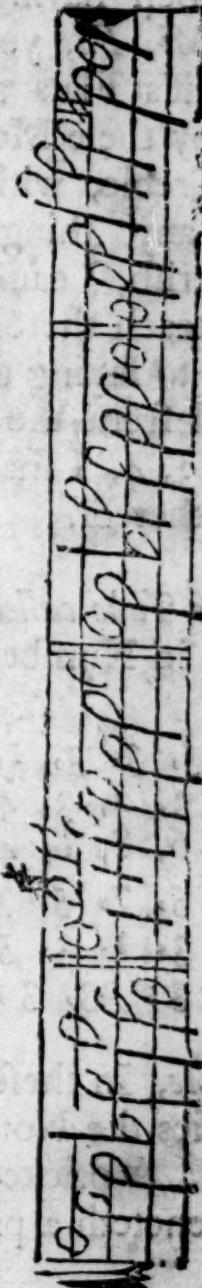
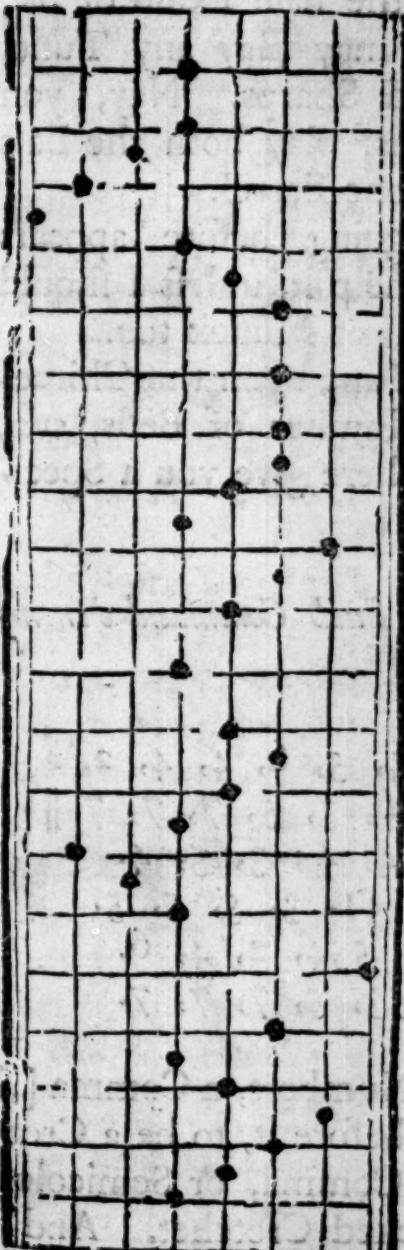
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A Table of Chimes to the
100 Psalm.

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The Musical Notes of Psalm 100.

If

If you would have your Chimes compleat indeed, you ought to have a set of Bells, to the Gamut-Notes; so as that each Bell having the true sound of *Sol*, *La*, *Mi*, *Fa*, you may play any Tune, with it's Flats and Sharps. Nay, you may by these Means, play both the Bass and Treble, with one Barrel.

If any thing going before appears Gibberish, I can't help it, unless I should here teach the Skill of Musick too.

As to setting a Tune upon the Chime-Barrel from the Number of Bells, *viz.* 1, 2, 3, 4, I shall here give you a Specimen thereof.

The Tune called, Such Command o'er my Fate, in Numbers,

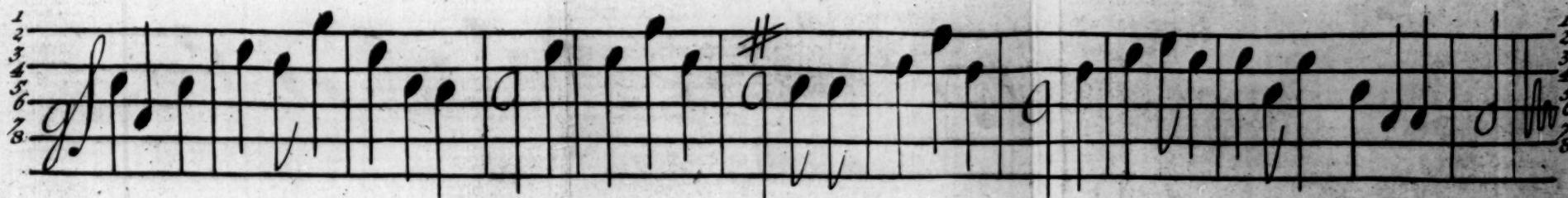
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 4, 3, 2, 3, 4, 6, 3, 5, 7, 7, 7. ||
 5, 6, 8, 8, 4, 4, 4; 3, 5, 4.
 6, 5, 7, 5, 3; 41, 3, 5, 5, 5.
 3, 3, 1, 3, 5. 554, 2, 4, 6.
 4, 3; 23, 3; 53, 5, 7, 7, 7.

Note, In these Numbers, a Comma [,] signifies the Note before it, to be a Crotchet. A pricked Comma, or Semicolon [;] denoteth a pricked Crotchet. And a Period

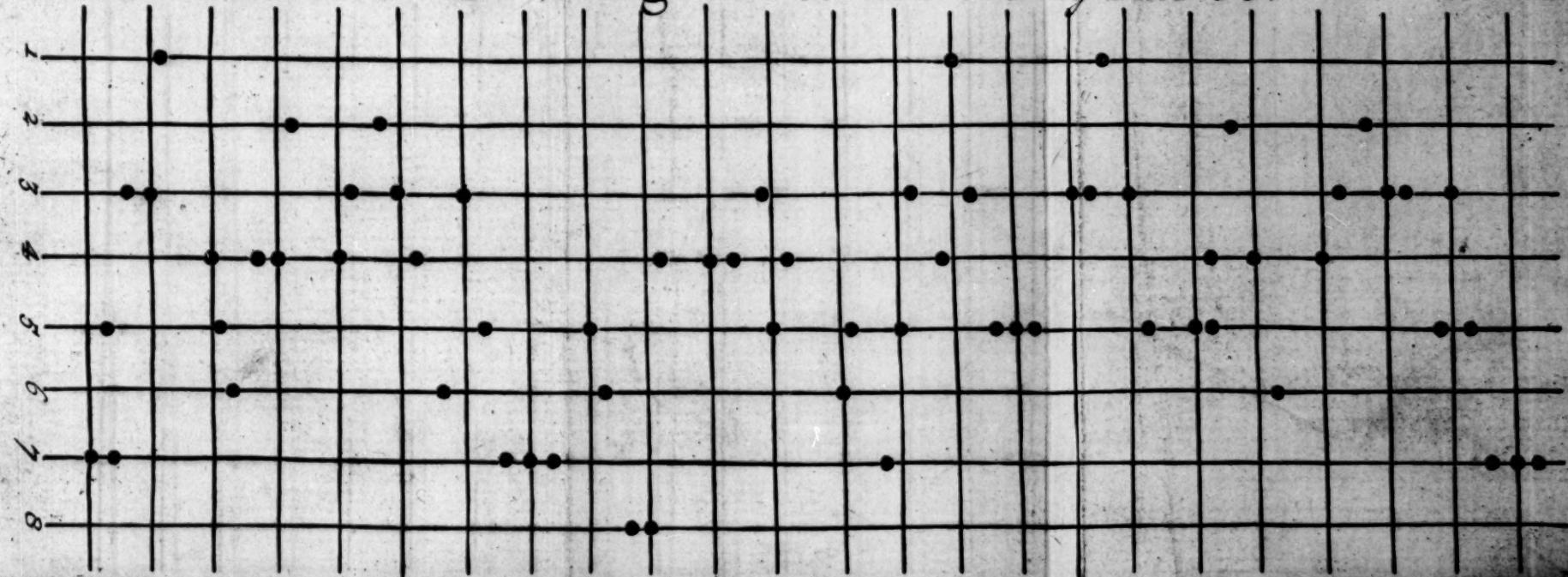
The Musical Notes of

Such Command o're my Fate &c. a song

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The Chimes of the Song *Such Command o're my Fate &c.*



Period [.] is a Minum. Where no Punctuation is, those Notes are Quavers.

I shall only add further, that by setting the Names of your Bells at the Head of any Tune (as is done in the Tables before) you may easily transfer that Tune, to your Chime-Barrel, without any great Skill in Musick. But observe, that each line in the Musick is three Notes distant; *i. e.* there is a Note between each Line, as well as upon it: as is manifest by inspecting the Tables.

S E C T. V.

To calculate any of the Celestial Motions.

TH E Motions I here chiefly intend, are the Day of the Month, and Year, the Moon's Age, the Tides, the Motions of the Planets; and if you please, of their Secondaries or Moons, and of the Platonick Year, or slow Motion of the Fixed Stars, &c.

§. 1. For the effecting these Motions in Watch-Work, you may make them to depend upon the Work already in the Movement; or else measure them by the Beats of a Ballance or Pendulum.

If the latter way, you must however contrive a Piece (as before in Watch-Work) to go a certain Time, with a certain Time, with a certain Number of Turns.

But then to specify or determine the Motion intended, you must proceed one of these two ways: either,

1. Find how many Beats are in the Revolution. Divide these Beats by the Beats in one Turn of the Wheel, or Pinion, which you intend shall drive the intended Revolution: and the Quotient shall be the Number to perform the same. Which, if too big for one, may be broken into more Quotients. Thus, if you would represent the Synodical Revolution of the Moon, (which is 29 Days, $12\frac{3}{4}$ Hours) with a Pendulum that swings Seconds, the Movement to go 8 Days, with 16 Turns of the Fusy, and the great Wheel to drive the Revolution. Divide 2551500 (the Beats in 29 Days $12\frac{3}{4}$ Hours) by 43200 (the Beats in one Turn of the great Wheel) and you will have 59 in the Quotient: which being too big for one, may be put into two Quotients. Or,

2. You may proceed as is directed before, in the Section of calculating Watch-Work,

Work, *viz.* Chuse your Train, Turns of the Fusy, Continuance, &c. * And then instead of finding a Quotient for the Pinion of Report, find a Number (which is all one as a Pinion of Report) to specificate your Revolution, by this following Rule.

Rule. As the Beats in one Turn of the great Wheel, or any other Wheel which you would have to drive the Revolution-Work : is to the Train :: So are the Hours of the Revolution you would perform : to the Quotient of that Revolution.

Thus to perform the Period of *Saturn* (which according to some, is 29 Years 183 Days) with a 16 hour Watch, of 26928 Beats in one Turn of the Fusy, and 20196, the Train : the Quotient of the Revolution will be 193824. For as 26928, To 20196 :: So 258432 (the Hours in 29 Years and 183 Days) To 193824. Note here, that the great Wheel Arbor-Work is to drive the Revolution-Work.

But if you would have the Revolution to be driven by the Dial-Wheel, and the Work already in the Movement (which in great Revolutions, is for the most Part as nice as the last way, and in which I intend

* Chap. II. Sect. 2. §. 7.

intend to treat of the particular Motions) in this Case, I say, you must first know the *Days* of the Revolution. And because the Dial-Wheel commonly goeth round twice in a Day, therefore double the Number of the Days in the Revolution, and you have the Number of Turns of the Dial-Wheel in that time. This Number of Turns is what you are to break into a convenient Number of Quotients, for the Wheels and Pinions; as shall be shewed in the following Examples.

§. 2. A Motion to shew the Day of the Month.

The Days in the largest Month are 31*. These doubled are 62, which are the Turns of the Dial-Wheel, which may be broken into these two Quotients $15\frac{1}{2}$ and 4; which multiplied together make 62. Therefore chusing your

Wheels and Pinions, as hath been directed in the former Sections, your Work is done.

The Wheels and Pinions may be, as you see done in the Margin. Or if a larger Pinion than one of 5 be necessary, by Reason it is concentrick to a Wheel

* Oughtred, §. 32.

a Wheel, you may take 10 4)62(15 $\frac{1}{2}$
for the Pinion, and 40 for 10)40(4
the Wheel, as in the Margin.

The Work will lie thus in the Movement, *viz.* Fix your Pinion 10, concentrical to the Dial-Wheel (or to turn round with it upon the same Spindle). This Pinion 10 drives the Wheel 40: which Wheel has the Pinion 4 in it's center, which carrieth about a Ring of 62 Teeth, divided on the upper side into 31 Days.

Or, you may, without the trouble of many Wheels, effect this Motion, *viz.* By a Ring divided into 30 or 31 Days, and as many Fangs or Teeth, like a Crown-Wheel Teeth, which are caught and pushed forward once in 24 Hours by a Pin in a Wheel, that goeth round in that time. This is the usual way in the Royal Pendulums, and many other Watches; and therefore being common, I shall say no more of it.

§. 3. *A Motion to shew the Age of the Moon* *.

The Moon finisheth her Course, so as to overtake the Sun in 29 Days, and a little above an half. This 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ Days (not regarding the small excess) makes 59 twelve Hours, or Turns of the Dial-Wheel,

* Id. ibid. §. 33.

Wheel, which is to be broken into con-

venient Quo-

10)59(5.9 4)59(14 $\frac{3}{4}$ tients: which

4)40(10 10)40(4 may be 5.9

and 10, as in

the first Example; or 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ and 4, as in the second Example in the Margin. So that if you fix a Pinion of 10 concentrical with your Dial-Wheel, to drive a Wheel of 40 (according to the last Example) which Wheel 40 drives a Pinion 4, it will carry about a Ring or Wheel of 59 Teeth, once in 29 $\frac{1}{2}$. Days. Which Ring may be divided into 29 $\frac{1}{2}$ Parts; or carry an Index to point to a Circle so divided.

§. 4. *A Motion to shew the Day of the Year, the Sun's Place in the Ecliptick, Sun's Rising or Setting, or any other annual Motion of 365 Days* *.

The double of 365 is 730, the Turns of the Dial-Wheel in a Year: which

4)73(18 $\frac{1}{4}$ 4)73(18 $\frac{1}{4}$ may be broken

4)40(10 4)32(8 into these Quo-

5)20(4 4)20(5 tients, viz. 18

$\frac{1}{4}$, and 10, and

4, according to

the first Example; or 18 $\frac{1}{4}$, 8, and 5,

according to the second. So that a Pinion

of

* Id. ibid.

of 5 is to lead a Wheel of 20; which again by a Pinion of 4, leadeth a Wheel of 40; which 3dly by a Pinion of 4, carrieth about a Wheel or Ring of 73, divided into the 12 Months, and their Days; or into the 12 Signs, and their Degrees; or into the Sun's Rising and Setting, &c. For the setting on of which last, you have a Table in Mr Oughtred's *Opuscula* *, or it may be done from any well calculated Almanack.

§. 5. *To shew the Tides at any Port.*

This is done without any other trouble, than the Moon's Ring (before mentioned §. 3.) to move round by a fixed Circle, divided into twice 12 Hours, and numbered the contrary way to the Age of the Moon.

To set this to go right, you must find out at what Point of the Compass the Moon makes full Sea, at the Place you would have your Watch serve, to convert that Point into Hours, allowing for every point North or South lost, 45 Minutes of an Hour. Thus at *London-Bridge* 'tis vulgarly thought to be high Tide, the Moon at North East and South West, which are 4 Points from the North and South. Or you may do thus: by Tide-Tables,

Tables, learn how many Hours from the Moon's Southing, 'tis High-Water. Or thus; find at what Hour it is High-Water, at the Full, or Change of the Moon: as at *London-Bridge*, the full Tide is commonly reckoned to be 3 Hours from the Moon's Southing; or at 3 o'Clock at the Full and Change. The Day of Conjunction, or New-Moon, with a little Stud to point, being set to the Hour so found, will afterwards point to the Hour of full Tide.

This is the usual way; but it being always in Motion, as the Tides are not, a better way may be found out, *viz.* by causing a Wheel or Ring to be moved forward, only twice a Day, and to keep Time (as near as can be) with Mr *Flamsteed's* most correct Tables. But this I shall commit to the Reader's contrivance, it being easy; and more of Curiosity than Use in it.

§. 6. *To calculate Numbers, to shew the Motion of the Planets, the slow Motion of the fixed Stars, &c.*

Having said enough before that may be applied here, and given Numbers in *Chap. X.* which may be sufficient to exercise and instruct the Reader in this Matter; I shall not therefore trouble him

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or swell my Book with so many Words, as would be required to treat of these Motions distinctly and compleatly.

Only thus much in general. Knowing the Years of any of these Revolutions, you may break this Number into Quotients; if you will make the Revolution to depend upon the Year's Motion; which is already in the Movement, and described §. 4. before. Or if you would have it depend upon the Dial-Wheel, or upon the Beats of a Pendulum, enough is said before to direct in this Matter.

In all these slow Motions, you may somewhat shorten your Labour, by endless Screws to serve for Pinions, which are but as a Pinion of one Tooth.

Sir *Jonas Moor*'s account of his large Sphere going by Clock-Work, will illustrate this Paragraph *. In this Sphere, is a Motion of 17100 Years, for the Sun's *Apogæum*, performed by 6 Wheels, thus, as Sir *Jonas* relates it; " For the great " Wheel fixed is 96, a Spindle-Wheel " of 12 Bars turns round it 8 times in " 24 Hours, that is, in 3 Hours; after " these, there are 4 Wheels, 20, 73, " 24, and 75, wrought by endless Screws " that are in Value but one; therefore

F " 3, 10,

“ 3, 10, 73, 24, and 75, multiplied together continually, produceth 7884000 Hours *, which divided by 24 gives 3285000 Days, equal to 900 Years.
“ Now on the last Wheel 75 is a Pinion of 6, turning a great Wheel, that carrieth the *Apogæum* Number 114: and 114 divided by 6, gives 19 the Quotient: and 900 times 19 is 17100 Years.”

Thus I have, with all the perspicuity I could, led my Reader through the whole Art of Calculation, so much of it at least, that I hope he will be master of it all; not only of those Motions, which I have particularly treated about, but of any other not mentioned: Such as the Revolution of the Dragon's Head and Tail, whereby the Eclipses of the Sun and Moon are found, the Revolution of the several Orbs, according to the *Ptolemaick* System, or of the celestial Bodies themselves, according to better Systems, with many other such curious performances, which have made the Sphere of *Archimedes* of old famous: and since him, that of *William of Zeland* †, and another of *Janellus Turrianus* of *Cremona*, mentioned by *Cardan*, and more lately those elaborate

* V. Sect. 1. §. 4, 5.

† De Sub. il. 1. 17.

elaborate and curious Pieces of Mr *Watson*, Mr *Tompion*, and another very lately of Mr *Rowley*.

C H A P. III.

To alter Clock-Work, or convert one Movement into another.

THIS Chapter I design for the use such, as would convert old Balance Clocks into Pendulums, or would make any old Work serve for the Tryal of new Motions, or would apply it to any other such like use.

§. 1. To do this, you may draw a Scheme of your old Work: And so you will see what Quotients you have, and what you will want. To do all which, there are sufficient Instructions in the preceding Chapter. A few Instances will make all plain.

§. 2. Let us chuse, for Instance, an old Ballance Watch to be turned into a Pendulum of 6 Inches. The old Work is, the great Wheel 56, the Pinion 7; the next Wheel 54, the Pinion 6; the

Crown-Wheel 19, &c. The Scheme of this Work is in the Margin.

$$\begin{array}{r} 4)48(12 \\ \hline 7)56(8 \\ \hline 6)54(9 \\ \hline 19 \end{array}$$

The Quotients and Crown-Wheel, and two Pallets multiplied together continually; produce 2736, which are the Strokes of the Ballance, in one Turn of the great Wheel, by Sect. I. §. 4, 5. of the last Chapter. And by the Quotient of the Dial-Wheel (which is 12) it appears, that the great Wheel goeth round once in an Hour. Or you may find the Beats in an Hour, by §. 5, last cited. Having thus found the Beats in an Hour, of the old Work, you must next find the Beats in an Hour of a 6 Inches Pendulum; which you may do by the Table in Chap. V. §. 4. following; according to which the Number is, 9204. Divide this by 2736, and you have the Quotient, which is to be added to the Scheme of the old Work. This Quotient is 3 and near $\frac{1}{3}$ as you see in the Margin. But to avoid the trouble of Fractions, let us take it $3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Work thus altered, will stand as you see in the Margin, *viz.*
a Pinion 6, and a Contrate-
Wheel 21, must be added.

According to this way, the old Work will stand as before, only the Crown-Wheel must be inverted.

§. 3. But because the Crown-Wheel is too big for the Contrate-Wheel (which is unseemly) therefore it will be best to make both the Contrate and Crown-Wheels new; and increase the Number of the Contrate-Wheel, but diminish that of the Crown-Wheel. To do which, pitch upon some convenient Number for the Crown-Wheel. Multiply all the Quotients, and this new Crown-Wheel Number, as before; and divide 9204 by it. As suppose you pitch upon 11 for the Crown-Wheel: If you multiply 8, 9, and 11, the Product is 792 *; which multiplied by the 2 Pallets, makes 1584, which are the Beats in one Turn of the great Wheel, or in an Hour. Divide 9204 by it, and you have near 6 for the Quotient of the Contrate-
Wheel.

4)48(12

7)568

6)549

6)21(3 $\frac{1}{2}$

Wheel. The Work thus ordered, will stand as in the Margin.

4)48(12

7)56(8

6)54(9

6)36(6

II

If you would correct your Work, to find the true Number of Beats in an Hour, &c. you must proceed, as is shewn Sect. 2. §. 7, and latter end of §. 8. of the last Chapter.

§. 4. But suppose you have a mind to change the former old Watch, into a 30 Hour-Piece, and to retain the old Ballance Wheel (which may be often done) : In this Case, you must add a Contrate-Wheel, and alter the Pinion of Report. For the Contrate-Wheel, chuse such a Quotient as will best suit with the rest of your Work ; and then multiply all your Quotients, Crown-Wheel, and 2 Pallets together, and so find the Number of Turns in the great Wheel, as before. Then say, by Sect. 2. §. 7. Part v. before, as the Beats in one Turn of the great Wheel, to the Beats in an Hour :: So are the Hours of the Dial, to the Quotient of the Pinion of Report.

Thus in the old Work before ; to the old Quotients 8, and 9, you may add another of 8, for the Contrate-Wheel. Those multiplied, as was now directed, make 21888, for the Beats in one Turn of

of the great Wheel. And then for the Quotient of the Pinion of Report, say in Numbers thus, 21888.9368 :: 12.5. The Quotient for the Pinion of Report is somewhat more than 5, which overplus may be neglected, as you see by the Scheme of the whole Work in the Margin.

If you desire to know what Number of Turns the Fusy must have in this Work; say by the last quoted Section, Part 1, in Numbers thus, 21888.9368 :: 30.13 almost. So that near 13 Turns will do.

If you would correct your Work, to know the exact Beats, &c. you are referred to Directions in the End of the last Paragraph.

But suppose in altering an old Watch, you would have it shew Minutes, as well as Hours; you may do it thus: Divide the Beats in one Turn of the great Wheel, by the Beats in an Hour; the Quotient will shew in how many Hours the great Wheel goeth round once. If the Beats in the great Wheel exceed the Train; you must chuse your Minute-Wheel first, and multiply it by the Quo-

tient found ; this will give the Pinion of Report. But if the Train exceeds the Beats of the great Wheel, you must chuse the Pinion of Report and multiply the Quotient by it : the Product is the Minute-Wheel.

But it often falls out, that the Train and Beats of the great Wheel will not exactly measure one another : if so, the best way is to half the two Numbers as far as they will equally admit of halving ; or divide them by some common Divisor, and so having brought them to as small Numbers as you can, you may suppose them to be a Wheel and Pinion, and reduce them to lesser Numbers, by Chap. II. Sect. 2. §. 6. Thus suppose you would make the old Movement last mentioned, a Minute-Watch ; you may reduce the Numbers of the great Wheel 21888, and the Train 9368, to a Pinion and Wheel 28) 12. by the Directions last cited. Which Pinion 28 being set upon the Spindle of the great Wheel, will drive a Wheel 12 round once in an Hour, to shew Minutes. If (as in the Movements in Chap. X.) you make this Wheel 12. drive another of 48 ; concentrical to which, is a Pinion 12, driving a Wheel 36 (which Wheel is concentrical

trical with the Minute-Wheel) this will carry a Hand round in 12 Hours. But in this Case, you must place the Pinion 28 on the Spindle of the great Wheel so as to slide round stiffly, when you turn the Minute-Hand to rectify the Watch.

§. 5. I shall add but one thing more, to what hath been said in this Chapter, and that is to change the striking Part of this old Movement, into a 30 Hour-Piece.

A Scheme of the old Work is in the Margin.

And to alter it, the best way is, to double the Number of striking Pins, making the 8, sixteen Pins, and the Hoop of the Detent-Wheel double, that the Pin-Wheel may strike two Strokes, in it's going round once.

The greatest inconvenience here, will be to bridle the rapidity of the Strokes; which a Quotient of 2 alone added to the old Work, would be sufficient for: But this being an inconvenient Number, it will be necessary to be content with the old Numbers, or make more Wheels and Pinions new, than may be thought worth the while.

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If you will find what Number of Turns the Fusy will require; you must find how many Strokes are in 30 Hours, by Sect. 3. §. 2. R. 6. before. These are 195; which divided by the 16 Pins, gives somewhat more than 12 Turns of the Fusy.

Lastly, for the Pinion of Report, you must pursue the Directions in the last quoted place, R. 5.

5)24(7 $\frac{3}{5}$
—
7)56(8.16 pins
6)54(9
6)48(8

The Work thus altered, will stand as in the Margin.

C H A P. IV.

To size the Wheels and Pinions, or proportion them to each other, both Arithmetically and Mechanically.

§. 1. FOR the exact and easy moving of the Wheels and Pinions together, it is necessary that they should fit each other, by having their Teeth and Leaves of the same wideness, or near of the same wideness. For many do make the Leaves of the Pinion narrower

rower than the Teeth of it's Wheel, by reason of their running deep in each other; which is as if the Diameters of the Wheel and Pinion were less. But this I leave to those whose Practice and Observations are greater than mine in these Matters.

§. 2. To make the Teeth of a Wheel and Pinion alike, the way *Arithmetically* is thus: First you must find the Circumference of your Wheel and Pinion; which you may best do by the Rule of Three (so often made use of before). The Rule is thus, As 7 is to 22 :: So is the Diameter to the Circumference. Or more exactly thus, as 1 is to 3,1416 :: So Diam. to Circum.

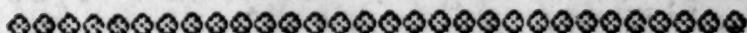
Suppose you have a Wheel of 2 Inches Diameter, and 60 Teeth, and would fit to it a Pinion of 6 Leaves. First $7.22 :: 2.6.3$. The Circumference of the Wheel, is then 6 Inches, and 3 Tenths of an Inch. Then say, As the Teeth of the Wheel to the Circumference of it :: So are the Leaves of the Pinion, to the Circumference thereof*. In Numbers thus, $60.6.3 :: 6.63$. The Pinion then is 63 hundredth Parts of an Inch round.

Now

* Sir J. Moor, Mat. Com. R. 5.

Now to find the Diameter, 'tis but the reverse of the former Rule, *viz.* As 22. to 7 :: So the Circumference to the Diameter. In Numbers thus, for the foregoing Pinion, 22.7 :: 63.2. The Diameter then of the Pinion must be two Tents of an Inch, to fit the aforesaid Wheel of two Inches Diameter.

§. 3. But because this way may be difficult to Persons unacquainted with Decimal Arithmetick, which is very necessary here; therefore I shall set down a way to do it *Mechanically*. Having drawn a Circle, divide it into as many Parts as you intend Leaves in the Pinion you would size. From two of these Points in the Circle, draw two or more Lines to the Center: to which apply two of the Teeth of your Wheel, guiding them up and down 'till they touch at the same width on these Radii or Lines. Mark where this Agreement is, and a small Circle drawn there, will represent the Circumference of the Pinion sought after.



C H A P. V.

Of Pendulums.

§. I. **A**MONG all known Motions, none measureth Time so regularly, as that of a *Pendulum*. But yet Watches governed hereby are not so perfect, but that they are subject to the Variations of Weather, Foulness, &c. And the shorter and lesser the Pendulum is, so much the more subject such Watches are to these Annoyances.

As to the Cause and Degree of these Variations, the following Experiments will in some Measure discover, which I made upon my own Clock, that goes all the Year, with as great exactness, as I believe any of the present Clocks are capable of. The Clock vibrates Seconds, the Ball of the usual Weight (about 3 lb.) with such a *Regulating Bob* underneath as is described §. following, and is represented in Fig. I. Numb. 4.

This Clock having for some Years kept time as well as could be expected, I hung upon it's Weight an Addition of 6 Pound

6 Pound in *August* and *September* 1706, and in *July* and *August* 1707, and afterwards in *October* and *November* 1712. This Increase of the Weight, although it made the Vibrations larger (as I found by an Index I have for that purpose), yet were they the quicker, and made the Clock gain about 13 Seconds every Day; even in these warmer Months when all Pendulum Clocks are apt to go too slow, as much as in Winter they go too fast.

And from hence we may manifestly perceive what the Cause is of those Variations, which the Weather, Foulness, &c. produce in the going of Clocks; and that is the Power of the Weight or Spring, that drives the Work, is increased or diminished thereby. Thus warm Weather (by attenuating the Oyl, &c.) and Cleanness, give the Weight or Spring their full Power, or Force, But cold Winter Weather thickens the Oyl in the Pivot-Holes, and also makes the Metal rigid, and indeed contracts it, as I find by Experiments on warmed and frozen Iron. And Foulness in the Oyl makes it stiff and tenacious, like Bird-Lime. All which, as it clogs the Work, so as sometimes to stop the Clock's Motion; so it diminisheth the Force of the Weight

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or Spring, and in effect is equivalent to the taking off so much weight, or strength.

This is the principal Cause of the Alterations in Pendulum-Clocks. Besides which there are some lesser Causes; as the Rarity and Density of the Air, which hath some influence upon the Pendulum moving in it; as appears from my Experiments made on Pendulums in the Air-Pump, in *Philosophical Transactions*, Number 294. Also as most long Pendulums have commonly slender Rods, which may be observed to bend a little at the end of each Vibration; so the cold or warmth of the Weather, by making the Rod more rigid, or more flexible, makes some little alteration in the Vibrations.

To remedy this last Inconvenience, I know a Watch-Maker that makes his Pendulum-Rods thin, but broad at Bottom next the Ball, and so tapers them up 'till they end in the Spring at Top. This he cryed up to me as a wonderful Discovery, and kept it as a great *Nostrum* and *Arcanum* for some time.

But for a general remedy to all Inconveniences, one way is, to make the Pendulum long, the Bob heavy, and to vibrate

vibrate but a little way from it's settlement. Which is now the most usual way in *England*. The other is the Contrivance of the Ingenious Mr *Christian Huygens*, which is, to make the upper Part of the Rod, play between two Cheek Parts of a Cycloid. Sir *Jonas Moor* says *, that after some time, and charge of Experiments, he believes this latter to be the better way. And Mr *Huygens* calls it *admirable*.

If any desire to know how to make those Cycloidal Cheeks fit to all Pendulums, I refer him to the aforesaid Mr *Huygens*'s Book †, because I can't shew how to do it, without the trouble of Figures; and this way is much ceased, since the Crown-Wheel Method (to which it is chiefly proper) is swallowed up by the Royal Pendulums.

§. 2. Another thing to be remarked in Pendulums is, that the greater their Vibrations are, the flower they are. For if two isochrone Pendulums do move, one the quadrant of a Circle, the other not above 3 or 4 Degrees, this latter shall move somewhat quicker than the former. Which is one Reason, why small Crown-

Wheel

* Mat. Comp. Rule 3.

† De Horol. Oscil. p. 10, 11, 12.

Wheel Pendulums go faster in cold Weather, or when foul, than at other times.

§. 3. For the Calculation of all Pendulums, 'tis necessary to fix upon some one, to be as a standard to the rest. I pitch upon a Pendulum to vibrate Seconds each stroke.

Mr *Huygens* lays down the length of a Pendulum to swing Seconds to be 3 Feet, 3 Inches, and 2 Tentshs of an Inch (according to Sir *J. Moor*'s Reduction of it to *English Measure*) *.

“ The Honourable Lord *Brouncker*,
“ (saith Sir *Jonas* †) and Mr *Rook*, found
“ the length to be 39.25 Inches, which
“ a little exceeds the other: and may be,
“ was justened by Mr *Huygens*'s Rule
“ for the Center of Oscillation. For
“ *Mouton*'s Pendulum, that shall vibrate
“ 132 times in a Minute, it will be found
“ likewise 8.1 Inches agreeing to 39.2
“ Inches *English*. Therefore for certain
“ 39.2 Inches may be called the *Universal Measure*, and relied on, to be the
“ near length of a Pendulum that shall
“ swing Seconds each Vibration.”

But forasmuch as the different Size of the Ball, will make some Difference in

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* *Ibid.*

† *Ibid.*

the length of this standard Pendulum, therefore to make this Pendulum an *Universal Measure*, to fit all Places and Ages, you must measure from the Point of Suspension, to the Center of Oscillation. Which Center is found by this Rule *, As the length of the String from the Point of Suspension to the Center of a round Ball : is to the Semi-diameter of that Ball :: So is that Semi-diameter to a 4th Number. Add two 5ths of that 4th Number, to the former length, and you have the Center of Oscillation ; and thereby the true length of this *Standard Pendulum*.

If it be desired to fit a Ball of a Triangular, Quadrangular, or any other form to this Pendulum, the Center of Oscillation in any of these Bodies may be found in the last cited Book of Mr *Huygens*.

If it be asked, what is the meaning of the Center of Oscillation ? The most intelligible Answer I can give an unskilful Reader is, that it is that Point of the Ball, at which, if you imagine it divided into two Parts, by a Circle, whose Center is in the Point of Suspension, the lower Part of the Ball shall be of the same weight with the upper.

§. 4.

* *Huygenius, ubi supra, p. 141.* Sir J. Moor, *ibid.*

§. 4. Having thus fixed a Standard, I shall next shew how from thence to find the Vibrations, or Lengths, of all other Pendulums. Which is done by this Rule, *The Squares of the Vibrations, bear the same Proportion to each other, as their lengths do* *. And so contrarywise. Wherefore by the Number of Vibrations to find the length of the Pendulum that will vibrate them say, As the Square of those Vibrations, is to the Square of 60 (the Vibrations of the Standard in a Minute) :: So is the length of the Standard (*viz.* 39.2) : to the length of the Pendulum sought.

If by the length, you will find the Vibrations, 'tis the reverse of the last Rule, *viz.* As the length proposed : to the Standard (39.2) :: So is the Square of 60 (the Vibrations of the Standard) : to the Square of the Vibrations sought.

Suppose, for Example, you would know of what length a Pendulum is of, that vibrates 153 strokes in a Minute. The Square of 153 (*i. e.* 153 times 153) is 23409. Say 23409.3600 :: 392.6. A Pendulum then that vibrates 153 in a Minute, is about 6 Inches long.

On the other Hand, if you would know how many strokes a Pendulum of 6 Inches hath in a Minute ; say, 6.39,2 :: 3600.23520. The square Root whereof is 153, and somewhat more.

Note, because 141120 is always the Product of the two middle Terms multiplied together, therefore you need only to divide this Number by the Square of the Vibrations, it gives the length sought: by the length, it gives the Square of the Vibrations.

If you operate by the Logarithms, you will much contract your Labour. For if you seek the length, 'tis but substracting the Logarithm of the Square of the Vibrations, out of the Logarithm of 141120, which is 5.1495886, and the remainder is the Logarithm of the length sought.

If you seek the Vibrations, it is but substracting out of the aforesaid Logarithm 5.1495886, the Logarithm of the length given, and half the residue is the Logarithm of the Vibrations required. The following Examples will illustrate each particular.

To find the Length.

	Logarithms.
141120	5.1945886
153 squared is 23409 or (which is the same thing, and most ready) it's Lo- garithm doubled is	4.3693828
Length is more than 6	0.7802058

To find the Vibrations.

	Logarithms.
141120	5.1495886
6 Inches long	0.7781512

Square of the Vibrations	—	4.3714374
Square Root, or Number of Vibrations is 153, and somewhat more.	—	2.1857187

According to the foregoing Directions, I have calculated the following Table to Pendulums of various Lengths, and have therein shewed the Vibrations in a Minute and an Hour, from 1 to 100 Inches.

A Table of Swings in a Minute, and in an Hour, to Pendulums of several lengths.

Pend. length in Inches	Vibrat. in a Minute.	Vibrat. in an Hour.	Pend. length in Inches	Vibrat. in a Minute.	Vibrat. in an Hour.
1	375.7	22542	30	68.6	4116
2	265.6	15936	—	—	—
3	216.9	13014	39.2	60.0	3600
4	187.8	11268	—	—	—
5	168.0	10080	40	59.4	3564
6	153.3	9204	50	53.1	3186
7	142.0	8520	60	48.5	2910
8	132.8	7968	70	44.9	2694
9	125.2	7512	80	42.0	2520
10	118.8	7128	90	39.6	2376
20	84.0	5040	100	37.5	2250

The use of this Table is manifest, and needs no explication. As to the Decimals in the Column of Minute-Swings, I have added them for the sake of calculating the Column of Hour-Swings; which would have been judged false without them, and would not have been exactly true without them.

§. 5. I have but one thing more to add to this Chapter of Pendulums, and that is; *To correct their Motion.*

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The usual way is, to screw up, or let down the Ball. In doing of which, a small alteration will make a considerable variation of Time: as you will find by Calculation, according to the last Paragraph. To prevent the Inconvenience of screwing the Ball too high, or low, Mr *Smith* * hath contrived a Table for dividing the Nut of a Pendulum Screw, so as to alter your Clock but a Second in a Day. But by reason no Screw and Nut can be so made, as to be most exactly strait and true; therefore it may happen, that instead of altering your Watch to your mind, you may do quite contrary; as instead of letting the Ball down, you may raise it higher, by the false running of the Nut upon the Screw.

Considering this irremediable Inconvenience, I am of opinion, that Mr *Huygens*'s way is much better †. His way is, to have a small Weight or Bob, to slide up and down the Pendulum Rod, above the Ball (which is immoveable). But I would rather advise, that the Ball be made to screw up and down, to bring the Pendulum pretty near it's guage: and that this little Bob should serve only for more nice Corrections; as the alteration

of a Second, or &c. which it will do better than the great Ball. For a whole turn of this little Bob, will not affect the Motion of the Pendulum so much as a small alteration of the great Ball.

The Directions Mr *Huygens* gives about this little Corrector, is, that it should be equal to the weight of the Wire, or Rod of the Pendulum, or about a 50th Part of the weight of the great Ball, which he appoints to be three Pounds.

If the Reader hath a mind to see what Alterations the sliding the Bob up and down will make in the Motion of the Pendulum, he may find a Table ingeniously calculated in the great Man's last cited Book. In which Table it may be observed, that a small alteration of the Corrector towards the lower end of the Pendulum, doth make as great an alteration of Time, as a greater raising or falling of it, doth make higher. Thus the little Bob raised 7 Divisions of the Rod, from the Center of Oscillation, will alter the Watch 15 Seconds; raised 15,2 'twill alter it 30 Seconds. But whereas if it be raised to 154,3 Parts of the Rod, it will make the Watch go faster 3 Minutes. 15 Seconds, the Watch shall be but 3 Minutes

Minutes 30 Seconds faster, if the Bob be raised to 192⁶. So that here you have but 15 Seconds variation, by raising the Bob above 38 Parts ; whereas lower, you had the same Variation, when raised not above 7 or 8 Parts.

But I have found it to be a very commodious way, to put a small Bob of about 10 Ounces underneath the great Ball of 3 or 4 lb. to be screwed higher or lower, as occasion is.

The use of this little Ball, or *Corrector*, is this ; when you have brought the great Ball near it's true length, so that the Pendulum will keep time pretty well, the little Ball will bring it to a much greater exactness, by reason many of it's Turns will no more influence the Motion of the Pendulum, than the smallest alteration of the great Ball : So that if your Clock should in a Week, or a longer time, err but a few Seconds, you may by screwing up or letting down this Bob, or little Ball, *Fig. 1.* No. 4. correct even that Minute error, and so bring your Clock to keep Time well all the Year, abating for the Alterations from Weather, &c. which I spake of.

If the Reader should have a curiositie to know what Alterations the screwing up,

up, or letting down, the great Ball will cause in 24 Hours of the Clock's going; this Table I calculated on purpose to shew him. Which will need but little Explanation.

Pendul. Length.		Variation of Vibrat.	
In.	Ten.	Min.	Sec.
38	0	22	33
38	1	20	38
38	2	18	42
38	3	16	48
38	4	14	55
38	5	13	2
38	6	11	9
38	7	9	16
38	8	7	25
38	9	5	32
39	0	3	42
39	1	1	51
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39	2	00	00
39			50
39		8	40
39	5	5	29
39	6	7	19
39	7	9	7
39	8	10	57
39	9	12	42
40	0	14	29

Supposing your Pendulum that vibrates Seconds to be 39 Inches and 2 Tents, if you should shorten it to 39 Inches, it would go 3 Minutes 42 Seconds faster than before: But if you should lengthen it to 39 Inches 3 Tents, it would go 1 Minute 50 Seconds slower. And so for the rest of the Table.

If then the great Ball slides on a flat Piece of Brass divided into Inches and Tents, it will be easy to discern what Alterations will be caused by the raising or falling of it.

C H A P. VI.

*The Antiquity and general History of
Watch or Clock-Work.*

§. 1. **I**T is probable that in all Ages, some Instruments or other have been used for the measuring of Time. But the earliest we read of, is the *Dial* of *Abaz*. Concerning which, little of certainty can be said. The Hebrew Word *Mayaloth* * doth properly signify Degrees, Steps, or Stairs, by which we ascend to any Place. And so this Word *Mayaloth* is rendered *Ezek. xl. 26*. And accordingly the LXXII translate the *Mayaloth* of *Abaz*, by the Words Βαθμοὶ and Ἀναβαθμοὶ, i. e. Steps, or Ascents. The like doth the *Syriack*, *Arabick*, and other Versions.

Some pretend to give a Description of this *Dial* of *Abaz*: but it being meer gueffing, and little to my Purpose, I shall not trouble the Reader with the various Opinions about it.

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* 2 Kings xx. 11. Isaiah xxxviii. 8.

Among the Greeks and Romans, there were two ways chiefly used to measure their Hours. One was by *Clepsydræ*, or Hour-Glasses. The other by the *Solaria*, or Sun-Dials. The Κλεψιύδρα, say *Suidas* * and *Phavorinus*, was Ὁρανον ἀστρολογικὸν εἰν ὡραι ὡραι μετρῆσαι; i. e. *An Astronomical Instrument, by which the Hours were measured.* Also, that it was a *Vessel*, having a little *Hole* in the bottom, which was set in the *Courts of Judicature*, full of *Water*; by which the *Lawyers* pleaded. This was, says *Phavorinus* †, to prevent babbling, that such as speak, ought to be brief in their *Speeches*.

As to the Invention of those Water-Watches (which were, no doubt, of more common use, than only in the Law-Courts) the Invention, I say, of them, is attributed, by *Censorinus* ||, to *P. Cornelius Nasica*, the *Censor*. *Scipio Nasica*, *Pliny* calls him, and saith, *Primus aquâ divisit Horas æquè noctium ac dierum. Idque Horologium sub tecto dicavit anno Urbis 595*, i. e. *Scipio Nasica was the first that by Water measured the Hours of the Night as well as the Day. And that Clock he dedicated within Doors in the Year*

* Lexic. in verbo ξεργι.

† In verbo κλεψυδρε.

|| De die Nat. c. 23.

Year U. C. 595. which time fell in about the time of *Judas Maccabœus*, about 150 Years before our blessed Saviour's Days.

The other way of measuring the Hours with *Sun-Dials*, seems, from *Pliny* and *Censorinus*, to have been an earlier Invention than the last. *Pliny* says *, that *Anaximenes Milesius*, the Scholar of " *Anaximander*, invented Dialling, and " was the first that shewed a Sun-Dial " at *Lacedæmon*." *Vitruvius* † calls him *Milesius Anaximander*. This *Anaximander*, or *Anaximenes*, was contemporary with *Pythagoras*, says *Laërtius*; and flourished about the time of the Prophet *Daniel*.

But enough of these ancient Time-Engines, which are not very much to my Purpose, being not Pieces of Watch-Work.

§. 2. I shall in the next Place take Notice of a few Horological Machines, that I have met with; which, whether Pieces of Clock-Work, or not, I leave to the Reader's Judgment.

The first is that of *Dionysius*, which *Plutarch* || commends for a very magnificent and illustrious Piece. But this might

* *Nat. Hist.* 1. 2. c. 76.

† *De Archit.* 1. 6. c. 48.

|| In the Life of Dion.

might be only a well delineated Sun-Dial.

Another Piece, is that of *Sapor King of Persia* *. Whether that *Sapor*, who was contemporary with *Constantine the Great*, I know not. *Cardan* faith, it was made of Glass; that the King could sit in the middle of it, and see it's Stars rise and set. But not finding whether this Sphere was moved by Clock-Work, or whether it had any regular Motion, I shall say no more concerning it.

The last Machine I shall mention in this Paragraph, is one I find described by *Vitruvius* †. Which to me seems to be a Piece of Watch-Work, moved by an equal influx of Water.

If the Reader will consult the *French* Edition of *Vitruvius*, he will find there a fair Cut of it.

Among divers Feats which this Machine performed (as sounding Trumpets, throwing Stones, &c.) one use of it was, to shew the Hours (which were unequal in that Age) through every Month of the Year. The Words of *Vitruvius* are, *Æqualiter influens aqua sublevat scaphum inversum (quod ab artificibus phellos*

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* *Euseb. Vit. Const. I. 3. De Subtil. I. 17.*

† *De Architect. I. 9. c. 9.*

sive tympanum dicitur) in quo collocata regula, versatilia tympana denticulis æqualibus sunt perfecta. Qui denticuli alius alium impellentes, versationes modicas faciunt, ac motiones. Item alicæ regulæ, aliaque tympana ad eundem modum dentata, quæ una motione coacta, versando faciunt effectus, varietatesque motionum: in quibus moverter sigilla, vertuntur metæ, calculi aut tonæ projiciuntur, buccinæ canunt, &c. In his etiam, aut in columna, aut parastatica horæ describuntur; quas sigillum egrediens ab imo virgulæ, significat, in diem totum: quarum brevitates aut crescentias, cuneorum adjectus aut exemptus, in singulis diebus & mensibus, perficere cogit.

The Inventer of this famous Machine, *Vitruvius* says, was one *Ctesibius*, a Barber's Son of *Alexandria* *. Which *Ctesibius* flourished under *Ptolomy Euhergetes*, says, *Athenæus*, l. 4. And if so, he lived about 140 Years before our Saviour's Days; and might be contemporary with *Archimedes*.

§. 3. Thus having given a small account of the ancient Ways of measuring Time, it is time to come closer to our Business, and say something more particularly of Watch and Clock-Work.

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* Vide Philand. not. in Vitruv.

Which is thought to be a much younger Invention, than the forementioned Pieces; and to have had it's beginning in *Germany*, within less than these 200 Years. It is very probable, that our Ballance-Clocks or Watches, and some other *Automata*, might have their Beginning there; or that Watch and Clock-Work (which had long been buried in Oblivion) might be revived there. But that Watch and Clock-Work was the Invention of that Age purely, I utterly deny; having (besides what goes before) two Instances to the contrary, of much earlier Date.

§. 4. The first Example is the *Sphere of Archimedes*; who lived about 200 Years before our Saviour's Days. There is no Mention of this Sphere in *Archimedes* his extant Works: but we have an account of it in others. *Cicero* speaks of it more than once. In his 2d Book *De Natura Deorum*, are these Words;
“ *Archimedem arbitrantur plus valuisse in imitandis Sphæræ conversionibus, quam Naturam in efficiendis, &c.*” i. e. Those foolish Philosophers imagine, that Archimedes was able to do more in imitating the Motions of the Sphere, than Nature in effecting of them. And in his *Tusculan Questions*,

* Lib. 1. 25. edit. Elzevir.

Questions, the Collocutor, proving the Soul to be of a Divine Nature, argues from this Contrivance of Archimedes, and says, *Nam cum Archimedes Lunæ, Solis quinque errantium motus in sphæram illigavit, effecit, &c.* The Sense is, that Archimedes contrived a Sphere, which shewed the Motion of the Moon, Sun, and five Planets.

But the most accurate Description is that of *Claudian* *, in these Words.

*Jupiter in parvo cum cerneret æthera vitro,
Risit, & ad superos talia dicta dedit :
Huccine mortalis progressa potentia curæ?
Jam meus in fragili luditur orbe labor.
Jura poti, rerumque fidem, legesque Deorum
Ecce Syracusius transtulit arte senex.
Inclusus variis famulatur spiritus astris,
Et vivum certis motibus urget opus.
Percurrit proprium mentitus signifer annum.
Et simulata novo Cynthia mense reddit.
Jamq; suum volvens audax industria mundum
Gaudet, & humana sidera mente regit.
Quid falso insontem tonitru Salmonea miror?
Æmula Naturæ parva reperta manus.*

* Epigr. in Sphær. Archimed.

In English thus :

*Wh'en Jove esp'y'd in Glass his Heavens made,
He smil'd, and to the other Gods thus said :
'Tis strange that human Art so far proceeds,
To ape in brittle Orbs my greatest Deeds.
The heavenly Motions, Nature's constant Course,
Lo ! here old Archimede to Art transfers.
Th' inclosed Spirit here each Star doth drive ;
And to the living Work sure Motions give.
The Sun in counterfeit his Year do run,
And Cynthia too her monthly Circle turn.
Since now bold man bath Worlds of's own descry'd
He joys, and th' Stars by human Art can guide.
Why should we so admire proud Salmons cheats,
Wh'en one poor hand Nature's chief Work repeats ?*

From this Description it appeareth, that in this Sphere, the Sun, Moon, and other heavenly Bodies, had their proper Motion : and that this Motion was effected by some enclosed Spirit. What this enclosed Spirit was, I cannot tell, but suppose it to be Weights or Springs, with Wheels or Pulleys, or some such means of Clock-Work : Which being hidden from vulgar Eyes, might be taken for some Angel, Spirit, or Divine Power ; unless by Spirit here, you understand some

some aërial subtilized Liquor, or Vapours. But how this, or indeed any thing but Clock-Work, could give such true and regular Motions, I am not able to guess.

§. 5. The next Instance I have met with of ancient Clock-Work, is that famous one in *Cicero* *, which, among other irrefragable Arguments is brought in to prove, “ That there is some intelligent, divine, and wise Being, that inhabiteth, ruleth in, and is as an Architect of so great a Work, as the World is,” as the Stoick expresseth himself. His Words (so far as they relate to my present Purpose) are these: “ *Cum solarium vel descriptum, aut ex aqua contemplere, intelligere declarari horas arte, non casu, &c.*” And a little after, *Quod si in Scythiam, aut in Britanniam, sphæram aliquis tulerit hanc, quam nuper familiaris noster effecit Posidonius, cuius singulæ conversiones idem efficiant in sole, & in luna, & in quinque stellis errantibus quod efficitur in cœlo singulis diebus, & noctibus; quis in illa barbarie dubitet, quin ea sphæra sit perfecta ratione?* The sum of the Author’s meaning is, “ That there were Sun-Dials described, or drawn

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* *De Nat. Deor. Lib. ii. §. 34.*

[with Lines, after the manner as our Sun-Dials are:] “ and some made with “ Water (which were the *Clepsydræ*, “ or Hour-Glasses, before-mentioned). “ That *Posidonius* had lately contrived a “ Sphere, whose Motions were the same “ in the Sun, Moon, and five Planets, as “ were performed in the Heavens each “ Day and Night.”

The Age wherein this Sphere was invented, was *Cicero's* Time, which was about 80 Years before our Saviour's Birth.

And that it was a Piece of Clock-Work, is not (I think) to be doubted, if it be considered, that it kept time with those Celestial Bodies, imitating both their annual and diurnal Motions; as from the Description we may gather it did.

It may be questioned, whether those Machines were common or not: I believe they were Rarities then, as well as Mr *Watson's* and others are accounted now. But methinks it is hard to imagine, that so useful an Invention should not be reduced into common use; it being natural, and easy to apply it to the measuring of Hours (though unequal) especially in two such Ages, as those of *Archimedes* and

and *Tully* were, in which the liberal Arts so greatly flourished.

§. 6. After the Times last mentioned, Barbarism came on, and Arts and Sciences became neglected, so that little worth remark is to be found 'till towards the XVIth Century; and then Clock-Work was revived, or wholly invented anew in *Germany*, as is generally thought, because the ancient Pieces are *German* Work. But who was the Inventor, or in what time, I cannot discover. Some think *Sever. Boëthius* invented it long before about the Year 510 *.

But if it was not so early as *Boëthius*, it might perhaps be in *Regiomontanus*'s Time, towards the latter end of the XIVth Century. However it is very manifest, it was before *Cardan*'s Time, because he speaketh of it, as a thing common then. And he lived about 170 Years since. And at this very Day there is a stately Clock in His Majesty's Palace at *Hampton-Court*, whose Inscription shews it to have been made in King *Henry VIII*'s Time by one *N. O.* in the Year 1540; which for it's Antiquity and good Contrivance I have given the Calliper of

* *Molyneaux, Scioth. Telescop. Ep. Dedic.*

Another Piece also I remember I saw some Years ago, which was a Watch belonging to the same King *Henry VIII*, which went a Week. Probably it might be made by the same *N. O.*

§. 7. As to those curious Contrivances in Clock-Work, which perform strange surprizing Feats, I shall say little. Dr *Heylin* tells us of a famous Clock and Dial in the Cathedral Church of *Lunden* in *Denmark*. " In the Dial (saith " he) are to be seen distinctly the Year, " Month, Week-day, and Hour of every " Day throughout the Year; with the " Feasts, both moveable and fixed; to- " gether with the Motion of the Sun " and Moon, and their passage thro' each " Degree of the Zodiack. Then for the " Clock, it is so framed by artificial En- " gines, that whensoever it is to strike, " two Horsemen encounter one ano- " ther, giving as many blows apiece, as " the Bell sounds Hours: And on the " opening of a Door, there appeareth a " Theatre, the Virgin *Mary* on a Throne, " with Christ in her Arms, and the three " Kings or *Magi* (with their several " Trains) marching in order, doing hum- " ble

“ ble reverence, and presenting severally
“ their Gifts, two Trumpeters sound-
“ ing all the while, to adorn the Pomp
“ of that Procession.” *

To this I might add many more such
curious Performances ; but I rather chuse
to refer the Reader to *Schottus* †, where
he may find a great variety to please him.

CHAP. VII.

Of the Invention of Pendulum-Clocks.

§. I. **B**EFORE ever Pendulums
were applied to Watch-Work,
their Motion was made use of for the
more accurate measuring of Time in Ob-
servations, particularly such as were
Astronomical. The famous *Tycho Brabe*
is supposed to have made use of them ;
but *Sturmius* faith, *Ricciolus* *primum*
pendula adhibuit ad tempora mensuranda.
Eumque secuti (etiam si conatum ejus ignari)
Langrenus, Vendelinus, Mersennus, Kir-

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* Heylin's *Cosmog.* L. ii. † *Magia Univers.*
P. I. *Proleg.* & *Magia Thaumaturg.*

cherus, & alii quamplurimi. Automatis Horologiis applicavit Hugenius. i. e. Riccioli first made use of Pendulums to measure Time: Whom Langrene, Wendeline, Mersenne, Kircher, and many others, followed, although they were ignorant of his Practice. But Huygens applied them to Clocks. Sturm. Colleg. Curios. P. 1. Tent. 14.

And notwithstanding divers have pretended to the Invention, yet Mr Christian Huygens of Zulichem affirms he was the first that applied Pendulums to Clock-Work, and gives very cogent Reasons for it.

This excellent Invention, he says *, he put first in Practice in the Year 1657: and in the following Year 1658, he printed a Delineation and Description of it.

Amongst them that have claimed the honour of this Invention, the great Galileo hath the most to be said on his side. Dr John Joachim Becher (who printed a Book when he was in England, intituled, *De Nova Temporis dimetiendi ratione Theoria, &c.* which he dedicated to the English Royal Society, Anno 1680.) he, I say, tell us, " That the Count Magalotti (the " Grand Duke of Tuscany's Resident at " the

* Hor. Oscil. p. 3. Edit. Paris.

“ the Emperor’s Court) told him the
“ whole History of these Pendulum-
“ Clocks, and denied Mr Zulichem to be
“ the Author of them.” Also “ That
“ one Treffler (Clock-Maker to the Fa-
“ ther of the then Grand Duke of Tusca-
“ ny) related to him the like History :
“ And said moreover, that he had made
“ the first Pendulum-Clock at *Florence*,
“ by the command of the Grand Duke,
“ and by the Directions of his Mathe-
“ matician *Galileus à Galilæo*; a pattern
“ of which was brought into *Holland*.”
And further he saith, “ that one *Caspar*
“ *Doms*, a *Fleming*, and Mathematician
“ to *John Philip à Schonborn* (the late
“ Elector of *Menz*) told him, that he
“ had seen at *Prague*, in the time of
“ *Rudolphus* the Emperor, a Pendulum-
“ Clock, made by the famous *Justus*
“ *Borgen*, Mechanick and Clock-Maker
“ to the Emperor: which Clock the
“ Great *Tycho Brahe* used in his Astro-
“ nomical Observations.”

Thus far *Becker*. To which I may
add, what is said by the *Academie del*
Cimento *, viz. “ It was thought good to
“ apply the Pendulum to the Movement
“ of

* Exper. made in the Acad. del Cimento translated
by Mr Waller, p. 12.

“ of the Clock : a thing which *Galilæo*
 “ first invented, and his Son *Vincenzio*
 “ *Galilei* put in Practice in the Year
 “ 1649.”

As to these Matters thus related by hearsay by *Becher*, and so expressly affirmed by the Academy, I have little to reply, but that Mr *Huygens* (whom I take to have been a Man of as great Integrity, as Learning and Ingenuity) does expressly say *, he was the Inventor, and that if *Galilæo* ever thought of any such thing, he never brought it to any Perfection. It is certain, that this Invention never flourished 'till Mr *Huygens* set it abroad.

§. 2. After Mr *Huygens* had thus invented these Pendulum-Watches, and caused several to be made in *Holland*, Mr *Fromantil*, a Dutch Clock-Maker, came over into *England*, and made the first that ever were made here ; which was about the Year 1662. One of the first Pieces that was made in *England*, is now in the possession of the Royal Society, given to that Honourable Body by the late eminent *Seth*, Lord Bishop of *Salisbury* : which is made exactly according to Mr *Huygens*'s Method.

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* *Huygens*, *ibid.*

§. 3. For several Years this way of Mr *Huygens* was the only Method, *viz.* Crown-Wheel Pendulums, to play between two cycloidal Cheeks, &c. But afterwards Mr *William Clement*, a *London* Clock-Maker, contrived them (as Mr *Smith* saith *) to go with less Weight, an heavier Ball (if you please) and to vibrate but a small Compas. Which is now the universal Method of the Royal Pendulums. But Dr *Hook* denies Mr *Clement* to have invented this; and says, that it was his Invention, and that he caused a Piece of this Nature to be made, which he shewed before the *Royal Society*, soon after the Fire of *London*.

§. 4. The use of these Pendulum-Clocks Mr *Huygens* setteth forth in several Instances. Particularly; he giveth two Examples of their great use at Sea, in discovering the difference of Meridians, more exactly than any other way: which he deduceth from the Observations of an *English*, and *French* Ship.

On Land, they were found very serviceable, among other uses, particularly to these two. 1. To measure the Time more exactly, and equally than the Sun. 2. To be (as Sir *Christopher Wren* first proposed)

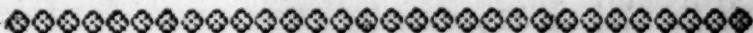
* *Horolog. Disquis.* p. 3.

proposed) a perpetual and universal Measure, or Standard, to which all Lengths may be reduced, and by which they may be judged of, in all Ages, and Countries. For (as our *Royal Society*, Mr *Huygens*, and *Mountonus* have proposed, after Sir *Christopher Wren*) this *Horrary Foot*, or *Tripedal Length*, which vibrateth Seconds, will fit all Ages and Places. But then respect must be had to the Center of Oscillation, which you have an Account of in Mr *Huygens*'s aforesaid Book *de Horologio Oscillatorio*, as hath before been said.

§. 5. There is one Contrivance more of Pendulums, still behind, viz. the *Circular Pendulum*; which is mentioned by Mr *Huygens* as his own, but is claimed by the late most ingenious Dr *Hook* as really his. This Pendulum doth not vibrate backward and forward, as those we have been speaking of do; but always round; the String being suspended above, as the tripodal Length, and the Ball fixed below, as suppose at the end of the fly of a common Jack.

The Motion of this circular Pendulum is as regular, and much the same with those mentioned before: and was thus far made very useful in Astronomical Observations,

Observations, by the said Dr *Hook*, viz. To give warning at any Moment of it's Circumgyration, either when it had turned but a Quarter, Half, or any lesser, or greater Part of it's Circle. So that here you had Notice not only of a Second, but of the most minute Part of a Second of Time. You may find a Description of this Pendulum, and other Matters belonging to it, in Dr *Hook's* *Lectiones Cutlerianæ*: *Animad. in Hevelii Mach. Cœlest.* p. 60.



C H A P. VIII.

*Of the Invention of those Pocket-Watches,
commonly called Pendulum-Watches.*

§. 1. **T**H E Reason they are called *Pendulum-Watches*, is from the regularity of their Strokes, and Motion, which were pretended to be not inferior to those of a real Pendulum. This Exactness is effected by the government of a small spiral Spring running round the upper part of the Verge of the Ballance: which Spring I call the *Regulator*.

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§. 2. The first Inventor hereof, was that ingenious and learned Member of our *Royal Society*, the late Dr *Hook*: who contrived various ways of Regulation. One way was with a Load-Stone: another was with a tender strait Spring, one end whereof played backward and forward with the Ballance. So that the Ballance was to the Spring as the Bob of a Pendulum, and the little Spring, as the Rod thereof. And several other Contrivances he had besides of this Nature, as he assured me, and is manifest from divers Evidences.

§. 3. But the Invention which best answered expectation, was at first, with two Ballances: of which I have seen two sorts, although there were several others. One way was without spiral Springs, the other with. They both agreed in this, that the outward Rims of both the Ballances had a like number of Teeth; which running in each other, caused each Ballance to vibrate alike.

But as to the former of these, which had no spiral Spring; the Verges of it's Ballance had each but one Pallet apiece, about the middle of the Verge. The Crown-Wheel lay (contrary to others) reversed, in the middle of the Watch,
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in the Place, and after the manner of the Contrate-Wheel. The Teeth of this Crown-Wheel, were cut after the manner of Contrate-Wheel Teeth, *viz.* lying upwards, but very wide apart, so as that the Pallets (which were about one Tenth of an Inch long, and narrow) might play in and out between each Tooth. The Verges of the two Ballances, were set one on one side, the other on the other side of the Crown-Wheel, so that the Pallets might play freely in it's Teeth. And when the Crown-Wheel in moving round, had delivered itself of one Pallet, the other Pallet on the opposite side, was drawn on to make it's Beats, by means of the Motion which the other Ballance had given it's Ballance (the two Ballances moving one another, as hath been said in the beginning of this Paragraph). And so the same back again.

It may here be noted, that for the more clear understanding of the last Contrivance, I have described the two Ballances, as having Teeth on the edges of their Rims, running in one another. But the Contrivance was really thus; there was a small Wheel under each Ballance, proportioned to the width of the Crown-

Crown-Wheel. But the Ballances were much larger. And so the Teeth of these two little foresaid Wheels or Ballances, running in one another, moved the larger Ballances above them, all one, as if these two great Ballances had been toothed and played in each other.

§. 4. The other way, with two Ballances also, moving each other (as was said in the beginning of the last Section) had a spiral Spring to each Ballance, for it's Regulator. In this Invention, only one Ballance had the Pallets, as the common Ballances have: And the Crown-Wheel operated upon it, according to the usual way. But then when this Ballance vibrateth, it giveth the same Motion backward and forward to the other Ballance, as hath been said.

The first of these two ways was never prosecuted so far, as perhaps it deserved: And the Excellency of the latter is, that no Jirk, or the most confused Shake, can in the least alter it's Vibrations. Which it will do in the best Pendulum-Watch with one Ballance now commonly used. For if you lay one of these Watches upon a Table, and by the Pendent jirk it backward and forward, you will put it into the greatest hurry; whereas the last mentioned

mentioned Watch, with two Ballances, will be nothing affected with it. But notwithstanding this Inconvenience, yet the Watch with one Ballance and one Spring (which was also Dr *Hook's* Invention) prevailed and grew common, being now the universal Mode: but of the other very few were ever made. The Reason hereof, I judge was the great trouble and vast niceness required in it, and perhaps a little foulness in the Balance-Teeth may retard the Motion of the Ballances. But the other is easier made, and performeth well enough, and in a Pocket is scarce subject to the aforesaid disorder, which is caused rather by a Turn, than a Shake.

§. 5. The time of these Inventions was about the Year 1658, as appears (among other Evidence) from this Inscription, upon one of the aforesaid double Ballance Watches presented to King *Charles II.* viz. *Robert Hook inven. 1658. T. Tompion fecit 1675.*

This Watch was wonderfully approved of by the King; and so the Invention grew into Reputation, and was much talked of at home and abroad. Particularly it's Fame flew into *France*, from whence the Dauphin sent for two;

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which that eminent Artist Mr *Tompion* made for him.

§. 6. Dr *Hook* had long before this, caused several Pieces of this Nature to be made, although they did not take 'till after 1675. However he had before so far proceeded herein, as to have a Patent (drawn, though not sealed) for these and some other Contrivances, about Watches, in the Year 1660. But the Reason why that Patent did no further proceed, was some disagreement about some Articles in it, with some Noble Persons, who were concerned for the procuring it. The same ingenious Doctor had also a Grant for a Patent for this last way of Spring-Watches in the Year 1675: but he omitted the taking it out, as thinking it not worth the while.

§. 7. After these Inventions of Dr *Hook*, and (no doubt) after the publication of Mr *Huygens*'s Book *de Horolog. Oscil.* at *Paris* 1673 (for there is not a Word of this, though of several other Contrivances), after this, I say, Mr *Huygens*'s Watch with a spiral Spring came abroad and made a great noise in *England*, as if the Longitude could be now found. One of these the Lord *Brouncker* sent for out

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of *France*, (where Mr *Huygens* had a Patent for them) which I have seen.

This Watch of Mr *Huygens*'s agreed with Dr *Hook*'s, in the Application of the Spring to the Ballance: only Mr *Huygens*'s had a longer spiral Spring, and the Pulses or Beats were much flower. That wherein it differs, is 1. The Verge hath a Pinion instead of Pallets; and a Contrate-Wheel runs therein, and drives it round, more than one Turn. 2. The Pallets are on the Arbor of this Contrate-Wheel. 3. Then followeth the Crown-Wheel, &c. 4. The Ballance, instead of turning scarce quite round (as Dr *Hook*'s) doth Turn several rounds every Vibration.

§. 8. As to the great Abilities of Mr *Huygens*, no Man can doubt that is acquainted with his Performances. But I have some Reason to doubt, whether his Fancy was not first set on Work by some Intelligence he might have of Dr *Hook*'s Invention from Mr *Oldenburg*, or others his Correspondents here in *England*, although Mr *Oldenburg* vindicates himself against that charge in *Philosophical Transactions*, No. 118 and 129. But of this Controversy see more in Mr *Waller*'s *Life of Dr Hook*, p. 4.

But whether or no that ingenious Person doth owe any thing herein to our ingenious Dr *Hook*, it is however a very pretty and ingenious Contrivance, but subject to some Defects: *viz.* When it standeth still, it will not vibrate, 'till it is set on vibrating: which though it be no defect in a Pendulum-Clock, may be one in a Pocket-Watch, which is exposed to continual Joggs. Also, it doth somewhat vary in it's Vibrations, making sometimes longer, sometimes shorter Turns, and so some slower, some quicker Vibrations.

I have seen some other Contrivances of this Sort, which I mention not, because they are of a younger Standing. But these two (of Dr *Hook* and Mr *Huygens*) I have taken Notice of, because they were the first that ever appeared in the World.



CHAP. IX.

The Invention of Repeating-Clocks.

§. I. **T**HE Clocks I now shall speak of, are such as by pulling of a String, &c. do strike the Hour, Quarter,

ter, or Minute, at any time of the Day and Night.

§. 2. These Clocks are a late Invention of one Mr *Barlow*, of no longer standing than the latter end of King *Charles II.* about the Year 1676.

This ingenious Contrivance (scarce so much as thought of before) soon took Air, and being talked of among the *London* Artists, set their Heads to Work, who presently contrived several ways to effect such a Performance. And hence arose the different ways of *Repeating-Work*, which so early might be observed to be about the Town, every Man almost practising according to his own Invention.

§. 3. This Invention was practised chiefly, if not only, in larger Movements, 'till King *James II.*'s Reign: At which Time it was transferred into Pocket-Clocks. But there being some little Contest concerning the Author hereof, I shall relate the bare Matter of Fact, leaving the Reader to his own Judgment.

About the latter end of King *James II.*'s Reign, Mr *Barlow* (the ingenious Inventor before mentioned) contrived to put his Invention into Pocket-Watches; and endeavoured (with the Lord Chief-Justice *Allebone*, and some others) to get

a Patent for it. And in order to it, he set Mr *Tompion*, the famous Artist, to Work upon it: who accordingly made a Piece according to his Directions.

Mr *Quare* (an ingenious Watchmaker in *London*) had some Years before been thinking of the like Invention: But not bringing it to Perfection, he laid by the thoughts of it, 'till the Talk of Mr *Barlow*'s Patent revived his former Thoughts; which he then brought to Effect. This being known among the Watch-makers, they all pressed him to endeavour to hinder Mr *Barlow*'s Patent. And accordingly Applications were made at Court, and a Watch of each Invention, produced before the King and Council. The King upon tryal of each of them, was pleased to give the Preference to Mr *Quare*'s; of which Notice was given soon after, in the Gazette.

The Difference between these two Inventions was, Mr *Barlow*'s was made to repeat by pushing in two Pieces on each side the Watch-Box: One of which repeated the Hour, the other the Quarter. Mr *Quare*'s was made to repeat, by a Pin that stuck out near the Pendant; which being thrust in (as now 'tis done by thrusting in the Pendant) did repeat both

both the Hour, and Quarter, with the same Thrust.

It would (I think) be very frivolous, to speak of the various Contrivances, and Methods of Repeating-Work, and the Inventors of them ; and therefore I shall say nothing of them.

C H A P. X.

Numbers for several Sorts of Movements.

ALTHOUGH I have before given such plain Directions, as may, I hope, accomplish a young Practitioner in the Art of Calculation ; yet it may be very convenient to set down some Numbers fit for several Movements ; partly to be as Examples to exercise the young Reader : And partly, to serve such, who want Leisure or Understanding to attain to the Art of Calculation.

§. 1. But first it may be requisite, to shew the usual way of Watch-makers writing down their Numbers, because it is somewhat different from that more artificial Way, which I directed to in Chap. II. and which I have all along made use of in this Book.

Their Way representeth the Wheel and Pinion, on the same Spindle ; not as they play in one another. Thus the Numbers of an old House-Watch, of 12 Hours, they write down thus :

My way.	The Watch-makers way.
$\frac{4)48}{7)56}$	48
$\frac{6)54}{19}$	$\begin{array}{r} 56 \\ \hline 54 \end{array} \quad 7$ $\begin{array}{r} 19 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad 6$

According to my way, the Pinion of Report [4] drives the Dial-Wheel [48] : The Pinion [7] plays in the great Wheel [56], &c. But according to the other way, the Dial-Wheel stands alone ; the great Wheel hath the Pinion of Report on the same Arbor : the Wheel [54] hath the Pinion [7] and the Crown-Wheel [19] the Pinion [6] on the same Spindles.

This latter way (although very inconvenient in Calculation) representeth a Piece of Work handsomely enough, and somewhat naturally.

§. 2. Numbers of an eight Day-Piece, with 16 Turns of the Barrel, the Pendulum vibrates Seconds, and shews Minutes, Seconds, &c.

The

The Watch Part.	The Clock Part.
8)96	8)78
8)60--48)48--6)72	6)48 8 pins.
7)56	6)48
<u>30</u>	6)48 (8--6 8)

In the Watch Part, the Wheel 60 is the Minute-Wheel, which is set in the middle of the Clock, that it's Spindle may go through the middle of the Dial-Plate to carry the Minute-Hand.

Also on this Spindle is a Wheel 48, which driveth another Wheel of 48, which last hath a Pinion 6, which driveth round the Wheel 72 in 12 Hours. Note here two Things: 1. That the two Wheels 48, are of no other use, but to set the Pinion 6 at a convenient Distance from the Minute-Wheel, to drive the Wheel 72, which is concentrical with the Minute-Wheel. For a Pinion 6 driving a Wheel 72, would be sufficient, if the Minute-Hand and Hour-Hand had two different Centers. 2. These Numbers, 60—48)48—6)72, set thus, ought (according to the last Section) be thus read, *viz.* The Wheel 60, hath another Wheel 48 on the same Spindle; which

Wheel

Wheel 48 divideth (playeth in, or turns round) another Wheel 48; which hath a Pinion 6 concentrical with it: Which Pinion driveth or divideth a Wheel of 72. For a Line parting two Numbers (as 60—48) denoteth those two Numbers to be concentrical, or to be placed upon the same Spindle. And when two Numbers have a Hook between them (as 48)48) it signifies one to run in the other, as hath before been hinted.

In the Striking-part, there are 8 Pins on the Second-Wheel 48. The Count-Wheel may be fixed unto the great Wheel, which goeth round once in 12 Hours.

§. 3. A Piece of 32 Days, with 16 or 12 Turns both Parts: the Watch sheweth Hours, Minutes, and Seconds; and the Pendulum vibrateth Seconds.

The Watch Part.

With 16 Turns.	With 12 Turns.
16)96	12)96
9)72	9)72
8)60--48)48--6)72	8)60-48)48-6)72
7)56	7)56
30	30

Or

Or thus with 16 Turns.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 12)72 \\
 8)64 \\
 8)60 \\
 \underline{7)56} \\
 30
 \end{array}$$

The Striking Part.

With 16 Turns.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 10)130 \\
 8)96 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 24 \text{ pins} \\ 12)39 \end{array} \right. \\
 6)72 \text{ Double hoop.} \\
 6)60
 \end{array}$$

With 12 Turns.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 8)128 \\
 8)104 \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 26 \text{ pins} \\ 8)24 \end{array} \right. \\
 8)96 \text{ Double hoop.} \\
 8)80
 \end{array}$$

The Pinion of Report is fixed on the the end of the Arbor of the Pin-Wheel. This Pinion in the first is 12, the Count-Wheel 39; thus, 12)39. Or it may be 8)26. In the latter (with 12 Turns) it may be 6)18, or 8)24.

§. 4. *A Two Month-Piece*, of 64 Days; with 16 Turns; Pendulum vibrateth Seconds, and sheweth Minutes, Seconds, &c.

Watch

Watch Part.	Clock Part.
9)90	10)80
8)76	10)65
8)60--48)48--6)72	9)54 { 12 pins
7)56	— 8)52
<u>30</u>	5)60 Double hoop.
	5)50

Here the third Wheel is the Pin-Wheel, which also carrieth the Pinion of Report 8, driving the Count-Wheel 52.

Or thus.

Watch Part.	Clock Part.
8)80	6)144
8)76	6)78 { 26 pins
8)60--48)48--6)72	— 8)24
7)56	6)72 Double hoop.
<u>30</u>	6)60

§. 5. A Piece of 13 Weeks, with Pendulum, Turns, and Motions, as before.

The

The Watch Part.

8) 96	Or thus	6) 72
8) 88		6) 66
8) 60--48) 48--6) 72		6) 48--48) 48--6) 72
7) 56		6) 45
<u>30</u>		<u>30</u>

The Clock Part.

8) 72	Or thus.	5) 145
8) 64—37) 30		6) 90 { —30 pins
8) 48—12 pins		—24) 62
6) 48 Double hoop.		6) 72
5) 40		6) 60

§. 6. A *Seven Month-Piece*, with Turns, Pendulum, and Motions, as before.

The Watch.

8) 60
8) 56
8) 48
6) 45--48) 48--6) 72
<u>5) 40</u>
<u>30</u>

The Clock.

8) 96
8) 88—27) 12
8) 64—16 pins
6) 48 Double hoop.
6) 48

§. 7. A

§. 7. A Year-Piece, of 384 Days, with Turns, Pendulum, and Motions, as before.

The Watch.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 12)108 \\
 9)72 \\
 8)64 \\
 8)60--48)48--6)72 \\
 \hline
 7)56 \\
 \hline
 30
 \end{array}$$

The Clock.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 10)120 \\
 8)96-36)9 \\
 6)78 \text{ 26 Pins} \\
 6)72 \text{ Double hoop.} \\
 6)60
 \end{array}$$

If you had rather have the Pinion of Report, on the Spindle of the Pin-Wheel it must be 13)39.

§. 8. A Piece of 30 Hours, Pendulum about 6 Inches.

The Watch.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 12)48 \\
 \hline
 6)78 \\
 6)60 \\
 6)42 \\
 \hline
 15
 \end{array}$$

The Clock.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 8)48 \\
 \hline
 6)78 \text{ 13 pins} \\
 6)60 \\
 6)48
 \end{array}$$

§. 9. A

§. 9. A Piece of 8 Days, with 16 Turns, Pendulum about 6 Inches, to shew Minutes, Seconds, &c.

The Watch.	The Clock may be the same with the 8 Day-Piece before, §. 2.
8)96	
8)64—48)48—6)72	
8)60	
8)40	The Seconds-Wheel.
<u>15</u>	

§. 10. A *Month-Piece* of 32 Days, with Pendulum, Turns, and Motions, as the last.

The Watch.	The Clock may have the same Numbers, as the Clock §. 3.
8)64	
8)48	
6)48—48)48—6)72	
6)45	
6)30	Seconds-Wheel.
<u>15</u>	

§. 11. A *Year-Piece* of 384 Days with Pendulum, Turns, &c. as the last.

The

The Watch-part.

10)90	Or thus, with a Wheel
8)64	less, not to shew Mi-
7)56	nutes and Seconds.
6)48—48)48—6)72	8)96
6)45	6)72—36)9
6)30 Seconds-Wheel.	6)66
<u>15</u>	6)60
	6)54
	<u>19</u>

In the latter of these two Numbers, the Pinion of Report is 36, on the Second-Wheel. The Dial-Wheel is 9.

The *Clock Part* may have the same Numbers, as the Year-Piece, before

§. 7.

§. 12. An eight Day-Piece, to shew the Hour and Minute, Pendulum about 3 Inches long.

6)96
8)64—6)72
7)49
6)36
<u>19</u>

The Clock may have the same Numbers, as the eight Day-Piece before §. 2.

Automata shewing the Motion of the Celestial Bodies.

§. 1. Numbers for the Motion of the Sun and Moon. See before in Chap. II.

Sect. 5. §. 3, 4.

§. 2. Numbers to shew the Revolution of the Planet *Saturn*, which consists of 10759 Days.

On the Dial-Wheel. If you would make it
5)69 depend upon a Wheel
4)52 going round in a Year
4)48 thus, 10)59 or thus,
4)40 6)30
4)118

Note, The lowermost Pinion in these, and the following Numbers, is to be fixed concentrical to the Wheel, which is to drive the Motion, *viz.* the Dial-Wheel, Year-Wheel, or &c.

And it is further to be noted that the Dial-Wheel is here supposed to move round once in 12 Hours.

§. 3. Numbers for the Planet *Jupiter*, whose Revolution is $4332 \frac{1}{2}$ Days.

On the Dial-Wheel.

4)48 Or thus, on the Year-Wheel.

4)40 6)71

4)36

4)32

Note here, that the two last Numbers of *Saturn*, may be the two first of *Jupiter* alſo.

By the Permission of my ingenious Friend Mr *Flamsteed*, I here inserſt a Description of Mr *Olaus Romer*, the French King's Mathematician's Instrument, to represent the Motion of *Jupiter's Satellites*; a Copy of which he ſent to Mr *Flamsteed* in 1679, and is from his own Draught repreſented in Fig. 2.

Upon an Axis (which turns round once in 7 Days) are four Wheels fixed: one of 87 Teeth, a ſecond of 63; the third 42; and the laſt 28 Teeth. On another Axis run 4 other Wheels (or Pinions you may call them) which are driven by the aforſaid Wheels. The first is a Wheel, or Pinion, of 22 Leaves driven by the Wheel 87, which carrieth round the laſt Satellite. The ſecond is 32, driven by the Wheel 63, which carrieth round the ſecond Satellite. The third

third hath 43 Leaves, driven by the Wheel 42, which carrieth the third Satellite. And lastly, is the Pinion 67, driven by the Wheel 28, which carrieth round the fourth Satellite.

On the first Axis is an Index, that pointeth to a Circle divided into 168 Parts, which are the Hours in seven Days.

On the other Axis all the Pinions run concentrically, by means of their being hollow in the middle.

But the whole Contrivance will be best understood by an Inspection of the Figure. In which

A. B. Is the upper Plate of the Instrument.

C. D. The lower Plate.

K. L. The *Axis*, or *Spindle*, on which four Wheels are fixed, and turn round with it, and with the Hand L. once in seven Days. E. F. G. H. are the *Sockets*, or hollow *Arbors* of 4 Wheels running concentrically.

The hollow Arbor H. carrieth round the *First Satellite* p. and belongeth to the Wheel or Pinion 22, before mentioned.

The hollow Arbor G. carrieth round the *Second Satellite* s. and belongeth to the Wheel 32, which is driven by the

Wheel 63. And the like of the *Arbors*
F. and E.

Within all these hollow Arbors is another fixed one included, on the top of which is the Ball (I) representing the Planet *Jupiter*: round which the *Satellites* move, represented by the little Balls p. s. t. q. Or the Spindle with the Ball (I) may be made to turn round once in 9 Hours, 56 Minutes, to shew the Motion of *Jupiter* on it's own Axis.

This *Satellite-Instrument* may be added to a Clock, by causing the great Wheel or Dial-Wheel to drive round the Arbor K. L. once in 7 Days. To do which there are sufficient Directions given in the preceding Book, and therefore needeth not to be insisted on here.

This Instrument may be of good use to such as make Observations of the Eclipses of *Jupiter's Satellites* either by Sea or Land, to give them Notice of the Appulses of every Satellite to *Jupiter's* Shadow. For which Purpose it might be convenient to place a Black or Blue Plate of the width of *Jupiter's* Diameter; behind which the Satellites passing, will represent the Immersions and Emerfions of each Satellite and the Times when they happen.

§. 4. Numbers for *Mars*, whose Revolution is 687 Days nearly.

On the Dial-Wheel.

4)48 The two last Numbers of *Saturn* may be the two first of *Mars* also.
 4)40
 4)46

§. 5. Numbers for *Venus* whose Revolution is in $224 \frac{1}{2}$ Days.

On the Dial-Wheel.

4)32 Note, The last Number of *Jupiter* may be the first of *Venus*.
 4)32
 4)28

§. 6. Numbers for *Mercury*, whose Revolution is near 88 Days.

On the Dial-Wheel.

4)64
 4)44

§. 7. Numbers to represent the Motion of the *Dragon's-Head and Tail*, (near 19 Years) to shew the *Eclipses* of the Sun and Moon.

On the Dial-Wheel.

On the Year-Wheel.

4)48
4)40
4)44
4)42

4)76

Note, the two last Numbers
of *Saturn* may be the two
first of this on the Dial-
Wheel.

As to the placing these several Motions on the Dial-Plate, I shall leave it wholly to the Workman's Contrivance. Only to assist him a little therein, I shall, for the Rarity thereof, present the Reader with a short Account of the *Hampton-Court Clock* before mentioned, made A. D. 1540; which shews the Time of the Day, and the Motion of the Sun and Moon through all the Degrees of the Zodiack, together with the Matters depending thereon, as the Day of the Month, the Sun and Moon's Place in the Zodiack, Moon's Southing, &c.

To shew how compleatly (for that Age) the Wheel-Work is laid under the Moving-Part of the Dial-Plate, I have given the Callibre thereof in Fig. 4. which represents the several Wheels and Pinions only, which lie under the Dial-Plate, and drive the several Motions in this Manner. In the Center of all, both

the

the Dial-Plate and it's Wheel-Work is placed on a fixed Arbor, which hath a Pinion of 8 on the end of it, which drives both the Solar and Lunar Motions, by means of a large Wheel of 288 Teeth turning round upon it once in 24 Hours; which large Wheel is driven round by a Pinion of 12 fixed on the Arbor of the great Wheel within the Clock, which turneth round once in an Hour. The Wheel 288 thus turning round in 24 Hours, carries about with it the Wheel 37 and it's Pinion of 7 Leaves, as also the other pricked Wheel, and it's Pinion, on the other side. The Pinion 7 of the Wheel 37, drives another Wheel of 45 Teeth, which carries round the Moon's Ring or Circle. On the opposite side the aforesaid Pinion 8 drives round the pricked Wheel, whose Pinion drives a Wheel of 29 Teeth, whose Pinion of 12 Leaves drives round the Wheel 132, that carries the Sun round, and the Zodiacal Matters.

These were the Numbers of the Wheel-Work remaining in the Year 1711. But the pricked Wheel and Pinion was taken out formerly, I suppose by some ignorant Workman that was not able otherwise to amend the Clock: but were

supplied, and the whole Movement repaired lately by that skilful Artist Mr *Langley Bradley* in *Fenchurcb-street, London.*

Numbers for Pocket-Watches.

§. 1. A Watch to go 8 Days, with 12 Turns, to shew Minutes and Seconds; the Train 16000.

6)96

6)48—12)48—12)36.

6)45 On the Wheel [42] is the Seconds

6)42 Hand placed, and on the Wheel

19 [48] the Minute Hand.

§. 2. Another of the same, without Minutes and Seconds, to go with only 8 Turns.

20)10

6)66

6)60

5)50

5)45

19

§. 3. A Pocket Watch of 32 Hours, with 8 Turns, to shew Minutes and Seconds, Train as the last.

12)48

$$\begin{array}{r}
 12)48 \\
 6)48 - 12)48 - 12)36 \\
 6)45 - \text{Seconds Hand.} \\
 \hline
 19
 \end{array}$$

If this Crown-Wheel be too large, you may use these Numbers, *viz.*

$$\begin{array}{r}
 12)48 \\
 6)48 \\
 6)45 \\
 6)48 \text{ Seconds Hand.} \\
 \hline
 15
 \end{array}$$

§. 4. The usual Numbers of 30 Hours Pendulum Watches, with 8 Turns, to shew the Hour and Minute.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 12)48 \\
 6)54 - 12)48 - 12)36 \\
 6)48 \\
 6)45 \\
 \hline
 15
 \end{array}$$

§. 5. The usual Numbers of the old 30 Hours Pocket-Watches.

With

With 5 Wheels.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 10)30 \\
 \underline{7)63} \\
 6)42 \\
 6)36 \\
 \underline{6)32} \\
 15
 \end{array}$$

With 4 Wheels.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 6)32 \\
 \underline{6)66} \\
 5)50 \\
 \underline{5)45} \\
 17
 \end{array}$$

If any of the Numbers of the preceding Wheels and Pinions should not please the Reader, he may easily correct them to his mind, by the Instructions in the foregoing Part of the Book. The way in short is this: Divide the Wheel by the Pinion, and so find the Number of Turns according to Chap. II. Sect. 1. §. 2. Multiply the Pinion you like better, by this Number of Turns, and the Product is the Wheel. Thus in the 8 Day Pocket-Watch, §. 1. if you think the great Wheel too large, you may make it instead of 6)96(16, thus, *viz.* 5)80(16: *i. e.* chusing the Pinion only 5, and multiplying it by 16 (the Turns) the Wheel will be 80.

C H A P.

C H A P. XI.

*Of the Government of Chronometers, with
Tables for that and other uses in Watch-
Work.*

HAVING led the Reader through most of the useful Matters relating to *Clock-Work*, to compleat him the more therein, I shall present him with some Instruments for the adjusting his *Chronometers*, and some Tables that will be of great use either in *Calculation* or *Time-Keeping*.

Of the Equation of Natural Days.

In order to the adjusting of Chronometrical Instruments, it is necessary to be understood, that the Days of the Year are not all equal, but some are longer, some shorter; so that if a Clock was so nicely adjusted, as to agree exactly with the Sun at the Year's end, as well as it did at the beginning, yet would it vary at other Times. The reason of which, is partly the *Eccentricity* of the Earth's Orb, by which means it's Motion therein is unequal; and partly the *Obliquity* of the Ecliptick, by which means it comes to pass, that all Parts of the Ecliptick and Equator come not to the Meridian of any Place

Place at one and the same Time; and therefore, although we should suppose the Earth to move equal Arches of the Ecliptick in equal Times all the Year round, yet would it come to the Meridian with unequal Arcs of the Equator, by whose equal Revolutions the *Equal Time* is measured.

In measuring therefore of Time by the Sun; there are two sorts thereof, the *Equal*, wherein all Days are of the same Length; and the *Apparent Time*, which is that which is shewn by Sun-Dials, &c. The Variations of which two sorts of Time may be seen in the following Tables for every Day of the Year nearly enough, although the Tables are run out a few Seconds at this present; which I began to correct, but found the Error so little, that I thought it not worth so great Labour to proceed much in it.

For these Tables (which I examined by the Originals) the Reader, as well as myself, is obliged to that great Astronomer Mr *Flamsteed*, who was the first Man that fully demonstrated and cleared this Inequality of Natural Days, and brought it to a certainty, although others, even *Ptolemy* himself had a partial Notion of it.

These

These Tables need but little Explication. If you would keep your Watch to the *Middle* or *Equal Motion* of the Sun, it must go so many Minutes and Seconds faster or slower than the Sun-Dial, as the Tables shew by the Letters F. or S. But if you would keep your Watch to go by the Sun-Dial, you may conclude it goes well, if it loseth or gaineth every Day, so many Seconds as you will find in the Table. Thus (for Example) *Jan 1.* in *Leap-Year*, the Watch ought to be 4 Minutes faster than the Sun-Dial: on *Jan. 2.* it ought to be 4 Minutes 28 Seconds, &c. If you would know on the same Days, whether your Watch goes well, when kept to go by the Sun-Dial, if set on *Jan 1.* it hath gained on *Jan. 2.* as much as 4 Minutes want of 4 Minutes 28 Seconds, *viz.* 28 Seconds, you may conclude your Watch goes well. Otherwise you must screw up, or let down the *Ball* or *Corrector*, 'till it loseth or gaineth according to the Equation Tables *.

* Mr *Flamsteed's* Tables having run out a few Seconds in Dr *Derham's* time, and more since: The Tables in this Edition are computed for the present Time, to the mean Noon of every Day, for the Meridian of *Greenwich Observatory*, and are adapted to the New Style. And the Letters F. or S. denote faster or slower.

The Bissextile or Leap Year.

Days	Jan.		Feb.		March		April		May		June		
	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	
1	4	F.	0	14	F.	6	12	F.	36	3	F.	47	
2	4	28	14	13	12	23	3	29	3	21	2	29	
3	4	56	14	20	12	10	3	10	3	28	2	20	
4	5	24	14	26	11	56	2	52	3	34	2	10	
5	5	51	14	31	11	42	2	35	3	40	2	0	
6	6	F.	18	14	F.	35	11	F.	28	2	F.	17	
7	6	44	14	39	11	13	1	59	3	49	1	38	
8	7	10	14	41	10	57	1	42	3	53	1	27	
9	7	35	14	43	10	41	1	25	3	56	1	15	
10	7	59	14	44	10	25	1	8	3	59	1	3	
11	8	F.	23	14	F.	44	10	F.	9	0	F.	52	
12	8	47	14	44	9	52	0	36	4	2	0	39	
13	9	10	14	43	9	35	0	20	4	3	0	27	
14	9	32	14	41	9	18	0	5	4	4	0	15	
15	9	53	14	38	9	1	0	S.	10	4	4	0	
16	10	F.	14	14	F.	34	8	F.	43	0	S.	25	
17	10	35	14	30	8	25	0	40	4	1	0	24	
18	10	54	14	25	8	7	0	54	3	59	0	36	
19	11	13	14	19	7	49	1	7	3	57	0	49	
20	11	31	14	13	7	31	1	20	3	54	1	2	
21	11	F.	48	14	F.	6	7	F.	12	1	S.	33	
22	12	5	13	58	6	53	1	45	3	47	1	28	
23	12	21	13	50	6	35	1	57	3	42	1	41	
24	12	36	13	41	6	16	2	8	3	37	1	54	
25	12	50	13	32	5	57	2	19	3	31	2	7	
26	13	F.	3	13	F.	22	5	F.	38	2	S.	30	
27	13	15	13	11	5	19	2	40	3	18	2	32	
28	13	27	13	0	5	1	2	49	3	11	2	44	
29	13	38	12	48	4	42	2	58	3	4	2	56	
30	13	48			4	24	3	6	2	56	3	8	
31	13	F.	57				4	F.	5		2	S.	47

The Bissextile or Leap Year.

Days	July		Aug.		Sept.		Oct.		Nov.		Dec.	
	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.
1	3 F. 19	5 F. 47	0 S. 27	10 S. 33	16 S. 12	10 S. 18						
2	3 30	5 43	0 46	10 51	16 12	9 55						
3	3 41	5 38	1 5	11 9	16 12	9 30						
4	3 52	5 33	1 24	11 27	16 11	9 6						
5	4 3	5 28	1 44	11 45	16 8	8 40						
6	4 F. 13	5 F. 21	2 S. 4	12 S. 2	16 S. 5	8 S. 14						
7	4 23	5 14	2 24	12 19	16 1	7 48						
8	4 32	5 7	2 44	12 35	15 56	7 21						
9	4 41	4 59	3 4	12 54	15 51	6 54						
10	4 49	4 50	3 25	13 6	15 44	6 26						
11	4 F. 57	4 F. 40	3 S. 46	13 S. 21	15 S. 37	5 S. 58						
12	5 5	4 30	4 6	13 36	15 28	5 29						
13	5 12	4 20	4 27	13 50	15 19	5 1						
14	5 19	4 9	4 48	14 3	15 6	4 32						
15	5 25	3 57	5 9	14 16	14 59	4 2						
16	5 F. 31	3 F. 46	5 S. 30	14 S. 28	14 S. 47	3 S. 33						
17	5 36	3 34	5 51	14 39	14 35	3 3						
18	5 41	3 21	6 12	14 50	14 21	2 34						
19	5 45	3 7	6 33	15 1	14 7	2 4						
20	5 49	2 53	6 53	15 11	13 52	1 34						
21	5 F. 52	2 F. 39	7 S. 14	15 S. 20	13 S. 36	1 S. 4						
22	5 54	2 24	7 35	15 28	13 20	0 33						
23	5 56	2 9	7 55	15 36	13 3	0 4						
24	5 58	1 53	8 16	15 23	12 45	0 F. 26						
25	5 58	1 37	8 36	15 49	12 26	0 56						
26	5 F. 59	1 F. 20	8 S. 56	15 S. 54	12 S. 7	1 F. 26						
27	5 58	1 3	9 16	15 59	11 46	1 56						
28	5 57	0 46	9 36	16 4	11 25	2 26						
29	5 56	0 28	9 55	16 7	11 3	2 55						
30	5 54	0 10	10 14	16 9	10 41	3 24						
31	5 F. 52	0 S. 8		16 S. 11		3 F. 53						

The first after Leap Year.

Days	Jan.		Feb.		March		April		May		June	
	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.
1	4	F.21	14	F.11	12	F.39	3	F.52	3	S.12	2	S.41
2	4	49	14	18	12	27	3	33	3	20	2	32
3	5	16	14	24	12	14	3	15	3	26	2	23
4	5	43	14	30	12	0	2	57	3	33	2	13
5	6	10	14	34	11	46	2	39	3	38	2	2
6	6	F.37	14	F.38	11	F.32	2	F.21	3	S.43	1	S.52
7	7	3	14	41	11	17	2	4	3	48	1	41
8	7	28	14	43	11	2	1	47	3	52	1	30
9	7	53	14	44	10	46	1	30	3	55	1	19
10	8	17	14	44	10	30	1	13	3	58	1	7
11	8	F.41	14	F.44	10	F.13	0	F.56	4	S.0	0	S.55
12	9	4	14	44	9	57	0	40	4	2	0	43
13	9	26	14	42	9	40	0	24	4	3	0	30
14	9	48	14	39	9	23	0	9	4	4	0	18
15	10	9	14	35	9	6	0	S.6	4	4	0	5
16	10	F.30	14	F.31	8	F.48	0	S.21	4	S.3	0	F.7
17	10	49	14	26	8	30	0	36	4	2	0	20
18	11	8	14	21	8	12	0	50	4	0	0	33
19	11	26	14	15	7	54	1	4	3	58	0	46
20	11	44	14	8	7	36	1	17	3	55	0	59
21	12	F.1	14	F.1	7	F.17	1	S.30	3	S.52	1	F.12
22	12	17	13	53	6	59	1	42	3	48	1	25
23	12	32	13	44	6	40	1	54	3	43	1	38
24	12	46	13	34	6	21	2	6	3	38	1	50
25	13	0	13	26	6	3	2	17	3	33	2	3
26	13	F.12	13	F.14	5	F.44	2	S.27	3	S.27	2	F.16
27	13	24	13	2	5	25	2	37	3	20	2	28
28	13	35	12	51	5	6	2	47	3	13	2	40
29	13	46			4	47	2	56	3	6	2	53
30	13	55			4	29	3	4	2	58	3	4
31	14	F.4			4	F.10			2	S.50		

The first after Leap Year.

Days	July		Aug.		Sept.		Oct.		Nov.		Dec.	
	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.
1	3	F.16	5	F.48	0	S.22	10	S.28	16	S.12	10	S.24
2	3	28	5	45	0	41	10	46	16	13	10	1
3	3	39	5	40	1	0	11	5	16	12	9	37
4	3	50	5	35	1	19	11	23	16	11	9	12
5	4	0	5	29	1	38	11	40	16	9	8	47
6	4	F.10	5	F.23	1	S.58	11	S.58	16	S.6	8	S.21
7	4	20	5	16	2	18	12	14	16	2	7	55
8	4	30	5	9	2	38	12	31	15	57	7	28
9	4	39	5	1	2	59	12	47	15	52	7	1
10	4	47	4	52	3	19	13	2	15	46	6	34
11	4	F.56	4	F.43	3	S.40	13	S.17	15	S.39	6	S.6
12	5	3	4	34	4	1	13	32	15	31	5	37
13	5	11	4	24	4	21	13	46	15	22	5	9
14	5	18	4	13	4	42	13	59	15	12	4	40
15	5	24	4	1	5	3	14	12	15	1	4	11
16	5	F.30	3	F.49	5	S.24	14	S.26	14	S.50	3	S.41
17	5	35	3	37	5	45	14	36	14	38	3	11
18	5	40	3	24	6	6	14	48	14	25	2	41
19	5	44	3	11	6	27	14	58	14	11	2	11
20	5	48	2	57	6	48	15	8	13	56	1	41
21	5	F.51	2	F.43	7	S. 9	15	S.17	13	S.41	1	S.11
22	5	54	2	28	7	29	15	26	13	24	0	41
23	5	56	2	13	7	50	15	34	13	7	0	11
24	5	58	1	57	8	10	15	41	12	50	0	F.19
25	5	58	1	41	8	31	15	47	12	31	0	49
26	5	F.59	1	F.25	8	S.51	15	S.53	12	S.12	1	F.18
27	5	59	1	8	9	11	15	58	11	51	1	48
28	5	58	0	51	9	30	16	2	11	31	2	18
29	5	56	0	33	9	49	16	6	11	9	2	47
30	5	54	0	15	10	0	16	9	10	47	3	16
31	5	F.52	0	S. 3			16	S.11			3	F.45

The second after Leap Year.

Days	Jan.		Feb.		March		April		May		June	
	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.
1	4	F. 14	14	F. 9	12	F. 42	3	F. 56	3	S. 10	2	S. 43
2	4	42	14	17	12	30	3	38	3	18	2	34
3	5	10	14	23	12	17	3	19	3	25	2	25
4	5	37	14	28	12	3	3	1	3	31	2	15
5	6	4	14	33	11	49	2	43	3	37	2	5
6	6	F. 30	14	F. 37	11	F. 35	2	F. 26	3	S. 42	1	S. 54
7	6	56	14	40	11	20	2	8	3	47	1	44
8	7	22	14	42	11	5	1	51	3	51	1	33
9	7	47	14	44	10	50	1	34	3	54	1	21
10	8	11	14	44	10	34	1	17	3	57	1	10
11	8	F. 35	14	F. 44	10	F. 18	1	F. 0	4	S. 0	0	S. 58
12	8	58	14	43	10	1	0	44	4	2	0	46
13	9	21	14	42	9	44	0	28	4	3	0	33
14	9	43	14	39	9	27	0	12	4	4	0	21
15	10	4	14	36	9	10	0	S. 3	4	4	0	8
16	10	F. 25	14	F. 32	8	F. 52	0	S. 18	4	S. 3	0	F. 4
17	10	45	14	28	8	34	0	32	4	2	0	17
18	11	4	14	22	8	16	0	47	4	1	0	30
19	11	22	14	16	7	58	1	0	3	58	0	43
20	11	40	14	10	7	40	1	14	3	56	0	56
21	11	F. 57	14	F. 3	7	F. 22	1	S. 27	3	S. 52	1	F. 9
22	12	13	13	55	7	3	1	39	3	49	1	22
23	12	28	13	46	6	44	1	51	3	44	1	34
24	12	43	13	37	6	26	2	3	3	40	1	47
25	12	56	13	27	6	7	2	14	3	34	2	0
26	13	F. 9	13	F. 17	5	F. 48	2	S. 25	3	S. 28	2	F. 13
27	13	21	13	6	5	29	2	35	3	22	2	25
28	13	33	12	54	5	11	2	45	3	15	2	37
29	13	43			4	52	2	54	3	8	2	50
30	13	53			4	33	3	2	3	0	3	2
31	14	F. 1			4	F. 15			2	S. 52		

The Second after Leap Year.

Days	July		Aug.		Sept.		Oct.		Nov.		Dec.	
	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.
1	3	F.	13	3	F.	49	0	S.	17	10	S.	23
2	3	25	5	45	0	36	10	42	16	12	10	7
3	3	36	5	41	0	55	11	56	16	12	9	43
4	3	47	5	36	1	14	11	18	16	11	9	18
5	3	58	5	31	1	34	11	36	16	9	8	53
6	4	F.	8	5	F.	25	1	S.	53	11	S.	53
7	4	18	5	18	2	13	12	10	16	3	8	1
8	4	27	5	11	2	34	12	27	15	59	7	35
9	4	36	5	3	2	54	12	43	15	53	7	8
10	4	45	4	54	3	14	12	59	15	47	6	40
11	4	F.	53	4	F.	45	3	S.	35	13	S.	14
12	5	1	4	36	3	56	13	28	15	32	5	44
13	5	9	4	26	4	16	13	42	15	24	5	16
14	5	16	4	15	4	37	13	56	15	14	4	47
15	5	22	4	4	4	58	14	9	15	4	4	18
16	5	F.	28	3	F.	52	5	S.	19	14	S.	22
17	5	34	3	40	5	40	14	34	14	41	3	19
18	5	39	3	27	6	1	14	45	14	28	2	49
19	5	48	3	14	6	22	14	56	14	14	2	19
20	5	47	3	0	6	43	15	6	14	0	1	49
21	5	F.	50	2	F.	46	7	S.	4	15	S.	15
22	5	53	2	31	7	24	15	24	13	28	0	49
23	5	55	2	16	7	45	15	32	13	11	0	19
24	5	57	2	1	8	5	15	39	12	54	0	F. 11
25	5	58	1	45	8	26	15	46	2	35	0	41
26	5	F.	59	1	F.	29	8	S.	46	15	S.	52
27	5	59	1	12	9	6	15	57	11	56	1	41
28	5	58	0	55	9	25	16	2	11	36	2	11
29	5	57	0	37	9	45	16	5	11	14	2	40
30	5	55	0	19	10	4	16	8	10	52	3	9
31	5	F.	52	0	F.	1	16	S.	11		3	F. 38

The third after Leap Year.

Days	Jan.		Feb.		March		April		May		June	
	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.
1	4	F. 7	14	F. 7	12	F. 45	4	F. 1	3	S. 8	2	S. 45
2	4	35	14	15	12	33	3	42	3	16	2	36
3	5	3	14	21	12	20	3	24	3	23	2	27
4	5	30	14	27	12	7	3	6	3	29	2	17
5	5	57	14	32	11	53	2	48	3	35	2	7
6	6	F. 24	14	F. 36	11	F. 39	2	F. 30	3	S. 41	1	S. 57
7	6	50	14	39	11	24	2	12	3	46	1	46
8	7	16	14	42	11	9	1	55	3	50	1	35
9	7	41	14	44	10	54	1	38	3	54	1	24
10	8	5	14	44	10	38	1	21	3	57	1	12
11	8	F. 29	14	F. 44	10	F. 21	1	F. 4	3	S. 59	1	S. 11
12	8	52	14	43	10	5	0	48	4	1	0	49
13	9	15	14	42	9	48	0	32	4	3	0	36
14	9	37	14	40	9	31	0	16	4	4	0	24
15	9	59	14	37	9	14	0	1	4	4	0	12
16	10	F. 20	14	F. 33	8	F. 57	0	S. 14	4	S. 3	0	F. 1
17	10	40	14	29	8	39	0	29	4	2	0	14
18	10	59	14	24	8	21	0	43	4	1	0	27
19	11	17	14	18	8	3	0	57	3	59	0	40
20	11	35	14	12	7	44	1	10	3	56	0	53
21	11	F. 52	14	F. 4	7	F. 26	1	S. 23	3	S. 53	1	F. 6
22	12	9	13	57	7	8	1	36	3	50	1	18
23	12	24	13	48	6	49	1	48	3	46	1	31
24	12	39	13	39	6	30	2	0	3	41	1	44
25	12	53	13	29	6	12	2	12	3	36	1	57
26	13	F. 6	13	F. 19	5	F. 53	2	S. 22	3	S. 30	2	F. 10
27	13	18	13	8	5	34	2	32	3	24	2	22
28	13	30	12	57	5	15	2	42	3	17	2	35
29	13	40			4	56	2	51	3	10	2	47
30	13	50			4	38	3	0	3	2	2	59
31	13	F. 59			4	F. 19			2	S. 54		

The third after Leap Year.

Days	July		Aug.		Sept.		Oct.		Nov.		Dec.	
	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.
1	3	F. 11	5	F. 50	0	S. 13	10	S. 19	16	S. 11	10	S. 35
2	3	22	5	46	0	31	10	37	16	12	10	12
3	3	33	5	42	0	50	10	56	16	12	9	48
4	3	44	5	37	1	10	11	14	16	11	9	24
5	3	55	5	32	1	29	11	32	16	10	8	59
16	4	F. 5	5	F. 26	1	S. 49	11	S. 49	16	S. 7	8	S. 34
7	4	15	5	19	2	9	12	6	16	4	8	8
8	4	25	5	12	2	29	12	23	16	0	7	41
9	4	34	5	5	2	49	12	39	18	55	7	14
10	4	43	4	56	3	5	12	55	15	49	6	47
11	4	F. 51	4	F. 48	3	S. 30	13	S. 10	15	S. 42	6	S. 19
12	4	59	4	38	3	51	13	25	15	34	5	51
13	5	7	4	28	4	11	13	39	15	26	5	23
14	5	14	4	18	4	32	13	53	15	17	4	54
15	5	21	4	6	4	53	14	6	15	6	4	25
16	5	F. 27	3	F. 55	5	S. 14	14	S. 19	14	S. 55	3	S. 56
17	5	32	3	43	5	35	14	31	14	44	3	26
18	5	37	3	30	5	56	14	42	14	31	2	56
19	5	42	3	17	6	17	14	53	14	18	2	26
20	5	46	3	4	6	38	15	3	14	4	1	56
21	5	F. 50	2	F. 50	6	S. 59	15	S. 13	13	S. 48	1	S. 26
22	5	53	2	35	7	19	15	22	13	32	0	56
23	5	55	2	20	7	40	15	30	13	16	0	26
24	5	57	2	5	8	c	15	38	12	58	0	F. 4
25	5	58	1	49	8	21	15	45	12	40	0	34
26	5	F. 59	1	F. 33	8	S. 41	15	S. 51	12	S. 21	1	F. 4
27	5	59	1	16	9	1	15	56	12	1	1	34
28	5	58	0	59	9	21	16	1	11	41	2	3
29	5	57	0	42	9	40	16	5	11	20	2	33
30	5	55	0	24	10	0	16	8	10	58	3	2
31	5	F. 53	0	F. 6			16	S. 10			3	F. 31

The Tables will serve for many Years, being made for *Bissextile*, and the 3 Years following. Therefore, knowing the Year, you may find what Table you are to use all that Year, whether Leap-Year, or any after it.

By Reason of the Refractions, or some Error in the Sun-Dial, it may be convenient to compare, or set, your Watch at some certain Hour of the Day. Noon is a good time for it, if you have a nice *Meridian-Line*, or any way to see when the Sun is exactly South, because the time of the Day is not at all then varied by the Refractions, in Dials that cast a Shade.

Having considered the Equation of Time, I shall next shew some ways of finding it. The way to do it by taking the Altitudes of the Sun, and fixed Stars, I shall pass by, although it be one of the surest Methods, because it would be necessary for me to launch out into Trigonometry, &c. for it. But I shall lay down some other methods that may be sufficient for the Purpose. And the first shall be

To find a Meridian-Line.

This will be of good use because it may happen that we may be at a Place, where

where there is no Sun-Dial, or not one to be relied upon; or indeed where we have a good one, it may be very useful to have a *Meridian-Line*. For the finding of which there are divers ways, but I shall shew only two.

The first is, draw one or more Circles on some plain, as on the bottom of a Southern Window. (Or you may make the Center on the Southern Edge of the Window, and draw only half Circles.) Hang up a Thread and Plumbet exactly over, or in the Center of the Circles. By a Bead or two sliding up and down the Thread, mark out exactly the Points of the Circles, touched by the Shade of the Beads in some of the Morning Hours (the longer before Noon the better). In the Afternoon when the same Shade of the Beads toucheth the Circles, mark that Point, or Points also. A line drawn through the Center, and in the middle, between these two Points in the Circle, is the Meridian-Line, or nearly so.

If you can't hang up a Plummet, a Pin set exactly upright will do the matter.

Another and better way, is by the *Pole-Star*, when it is exactly upon the Meridian. Or if but near so, the Error will not be great.

You may find the time when the Pole-Star comes to the Meridian, by subtracting the Sun's Right Ascension from the Right Ascension of the Pole-Star, and turning the Remainder into Hours, Minutes, and Seconds, allowing to every Degree four Minutes of Time, whereby you will have the Apparent Time, when the Pole-Star comes on the Meridian above the Pole. I scarce need to observe, that the time when it comes under the Pole is 12 Hours distant.

You may shorten your labour by using Tables of the Sun's Right Ascension in Time, which you may find in Sir J. Moor's *Mathematical Compendium*, and other Books.

Note, If the Sun's Right Ascension exceeds the Pole-Star's Right Ascension, you must add 24 Hours to the Pole-Star's Right Ascension, and then subtract. The Right Ascension of the Pole-Star is determined by Mr Flamsteed 33 Minutes 44 Seconds of Time in the Year 1690, and the Increase of it's Right Ascension 1 Minute 16 Seconds of Time in 10 Years. Therefore this present Year 1714 it's true Right Ascension is 36 Minutes 46 Seconds of Time.

If the unlearned Reader should think this way difficult, he may see when the *Pole-Star* comes near the Meridian, by hanging up a Line and Plummet, and observing when the first Star in the *Great-Bear's Tail*, next her Rump, comes under the Line on one side of the Pole, or when the Plumb-Line nearly approacheth the Star in *Cassiopeia's Knee* on the other side of the Pole.

When the *Pole-Star* is found to be on the Meridian, if you hang up two Strings with Plummets, between the *Pole-Star* and your Eye, this will be a *Meridian-Line*, to see when the Sun comes to the Meridian. Or you may do it with a Crevice between two Boards, or Plates of Metal, almost touching one another.

But much the best way which I have yet thought of, and which is exceedingly nice, is with the Instrument, Fig. 3. which is thus made. At each end of a Board, or rather small flat Iron-Bar (A.B.) fix two upright sights: one with a very small hole (a. b.) to look through to the Sun; the other (c. d.) with a larger hole, to look at the *Pole-Star*. Not far from the Sights, on the same Bar, fix two Arms (C. D. C. D.) to bend off, so as

to be out of the way of the Sights, when you look through them. On the top of these Arms, place a small Rod of Iron or Wood, to turn with a joint at D, which Rod is to bear the Plumb-Lines (E. F.) and to turn backward and forward, so as to bring the Plumb-Lines to the Sights at any Time. Place this Instrument on a Pedestal (G. H.) to turn round on it stiffly.

Your Instrument being thus prepared, plant it in some convenient Place, where you may see the Pole-Star by Night, and the Sun by Day. When the Pole-Star is on the Meridian, look through the Sight with the bigger hole, and turn the whole Instrument about 'till you see opposite Plumb-Line intersect the Pole-Star. Take care at the same time, that the Plumb-Lines hang so as to intersect the Sights. Your Instrument, thus placed, standeth nicely on the Meridian, so as to see when either Sun, Moon, or Stars come thereon.

When you look by Night, 'tis necessary that a Candle should shine on the Plumb-Line, that you may see it.

If you look at the Sun, you must guard your Eye against the Sun-Beams with

with a coloured Glafs, or one blackened with the Smoak of a Candle.

I had almost forgotten, to say that it matters not much what length the bottom Piece A. B. is of (but the longer the better) provided that the Plumb-Lines are high enough to see the Pole-Star, and the Sun in the Summer Solstice, or any time of the Year. If the bottom Piece be 2 Feet long, the Plumb-Lines had need to be near 4 Feet.

This Instrument is very serviceable to several Purposes: particularly 1. To see the *Southing* of the Sun, or Moon, which you may do with great exactness. You may see nicely when the very Edge of the Sun or Moon toucheth the Meridian, and whilst all their Body is passing it.

2. You may see what Stars are, at any time, on the Meridian, either Northward or Southward, and so find the Hour of the Night. To do which when any Star is on the Meridian, subtract the Right Ascension of the Sun from the Right Ascension of the Star, the Remainder is the Hour of the Night, when turned into Time.

3. You may with all exactness continue your Meridian-Line for many Miles, if you please, by looking through

4. If you would be still more nice, you may apply a *Telescope* to this *Meridian Instrument*, by placing, for the Eye-Glass, a Convex-Glass, of a convenient *Focus* at a due distance between the Plumb-Line and either Sight, so as through the Sight to see the Plumb-Line through the Convex-Glass (or Eye-Glass). And at a convenient distance from the Instrument, place another Convex-Glass for the Object-Glass.

5. If I am not much mistaken this *Meridian-Instrument* may as well (and being made telescopulous) much better serve the design of trying whether the Meridian differeth or not; which some have experimented with more trouble and expence than this Instrument comes to.

6. This Instrument is very easily brought to the Meridian. For whether it stands upright, aside, or any other way, still the Plumb-Lines may be brought easily to their due place.

7. This Instrument is prepared with little cost or trouble; it may be carried from place to place; or imitated wherever there is occasion to correct either Sun-Dial or Watch.

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This Instrument may be found improved in the *Philosophical Transactions*, No. 291; together with a Cut shewing when the Pole-Star comes to the Meridian.

I would present the unskilful Reader with a Table of the Appulses of the Pole-Star to the Meridian; but it will hold for so little a time true, that it is not worth the while.

The way to govern a Clock by the fixed Stars.

Mons. la Hire in his *Tabulæ Astron.* hath given us two Tables of the difference between the Solar and Sidereal Day. The latter and most correct of which is this following.

A Table

A Table shewing how much the Solar
is longer than the Sidereal Day.

Rev.	M.	S.	T.	Rev.	H.	M.	S.	T.
1	3.	55.	53	16	1.	2.	54.	11
2	7.	51.	46	17	1.	6.	50.	4
3	11.	47.	40	18	1.	10.	45.	58
4	15.	43.	33	19	1.	14.	41.	51
5	19.	39.	26	20	1.	18.	37.	44
6	23.	35.	19	21	1.	22.	33.	37
7	27.	31.	12	22	1.	26.	29.	30
8	31.	27.	6	23	1.	30.	25.	24
9	35.	22.	59	24	1.	34.	21.	17
10	39.	18.	52	25	1.	38.	17.	10
11	43.	14.	45	26	1.	42.	18.	3
12	47.	10.	38	27	1.	46.	8.	56
13	51.	6.	32	28	1.	50.	4.	50
14	55.	2.	25	29	1.	54.	0.	43
15	58.	58.	18	30	1.	57.	56.	36

Explanation of the Table.

This Table shews how much the Sidereal goeth faster than the Solar Day, in any number of Nights for a Month. So that observing by your Watch the nice Time when any fixed Star cometh to

to the Meridian, or any other point of the Heavens: if after one Revolution of that same Star to the same point, your Watch goeth 3 Minutes 56 Seconds slower than the Star; or after two Nights 7 Minutes 51 Seconds; or 16 Nights, 1 Hour 2 Minutes 54 Seconds, &c. then doth your Watch keep time rightly with the mean Motion of the Sun. If it varieth from the Table, you must alter the length of your Pendulum to make it so keep Time.

For observing the Time when the Star cometh again to the same Point of the Heavens, you may make use of your Meridian Instrument last described; or if you would be more exact and nice, you may make use of a Telescope, such as is used for the Sights of Quadrants, &c. which consists commonly of an Object, and an Eye-Glaſs, with Cross-Hairs in the common Focus of both Glaſſes. Having observed with this Telescope the Transit of any fixed Star cross the Hairs, leave the Telescope in that Position 'till as many Revolutions of the Star are past, as you are minded to take notice of.

Of the Time of the Day shewn by Sun-Dials.

Forasmuch as by the Refractions the Sun appears higher than really he is, therefore all Sun-Dials, which shew the Hour by the Sun's Height, go not exactly true. The quantity of which is shewn in this Table.

A Table shewing the Variations made in the true Hour of the Day, by the Refraction of the Sun in the Equator, and both the Solstices.

Sun's altitude. Deg.	Sun's Refraction.		Variation at the N. Solstice.		Variation at the Equator.		Variation at the S. Solstice.	
	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.	M.	S.
0	33	00	4	34	3	32	4	38
1	23	00	2	34	2	28	3	19
2	17	00	2	24	1	49	2	31
3	13	30	1	46	1	27	2	3
4	11	30	1	29	1	12	1	40
5	9	30	1	12	1	1	1	33
6	7	30	0	56	0	49	1	17
7	7	00	0	52	0	44	1	16
8	6	00	0	43	0	39	1	8
9	5	00	0	36	0	34	1	2
10	4	40	0	25	0	29	1	2

Remarks

Remarks upon the Table.

The Refractions, although in the Table they are the same, yet do differ at different Seasons of the Year, nay perhaps, according to the different temperature of the Air sometimes, in the same Day. Thus Mr *Flamsteed* found the Refractions in *February* very different from those in *April*: and it is observed, that the Refractions are commonly greater, when the *Mercury* is higher in the Barometer.

The Table therefore doth not shew what the Refractions always are, but only about the middle quantity of them at every degree, of the 10 first of the Sun's Altitude. And accordingly I have calculated the Variations thereby made in the Hour of the Day.

These Variations of the Hour are greater or lesser, according as the Angle of the Sun's diurnal Motion is acuter with the Horizon. The Reason is plain; because as the Sun appears by Refraction higher than really he is; so that false Height doth affect the Hours in Winter, more than the Summer half Year.

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There is no Ray indeed of the Sun, but what cometh refracted to a Sun-Dial, and consequently, there is no Dial but what goeth more or less false (except at Noon in Dials that cast a Shade, where the Refraction makes no Variation). But the Refraction decreaseth apace, as the Sun gets higher, and causeth a Variation of not above half a Minute at 10 Degrees of the Sun's Altitude; except when the Sun is in, or near the Southern Tropick. Nearer than half a Minute, few common Sun-Dials shew the Time. And therefore I have calculated my Table to only 10 Degrees.

The Table needs but little Explication. For having the Sun's height, you have against it, in the next Column, the Refraction: and in the three next the alterations of the Hour, at three times of the Year. Taking therefore by a Quadrant the Sun's Altitude, and observing at the same time, the Hour of the Day by a Sun-Dial; by the Table, you see how many Minutes, and Seconds, the Dial is too fast, or too slow. As at the Sun-Rising a Sun-Dial is too fast, or too slow, 4 Minutes 34 Seconds, about *June 11*, and 3 Minutes 32 Seconds about *March 10*, and *September*

ber 12; and 4 Minutes 38 Seconds about December 11.

A Table of the Parts of Time.

Since in Calculation there is frequent occasion to make use of the Parts of Time, I have added the following Table, which at one view exhibits the Parts of Time, without any troublesome Operations of Reduction.

Seconds	Minutes	Hours	Days	Weeks	Months	Year
60	60	24	7			
3600	1440	168	30	4		
86400	10080	720	52	12		
604800	43200	8765	365 $\frac{1}{4}$			
2592000	525949					
31556940						

This Table is easily understood. For in the concurrence of the Squares is the quantity of the Time set over, or against each Square. As for Example; in a Minute are 60 Seconds: in an Hour are 60 Minutes, and 3600 Seconds: in a Year are 31556940 Seconds, 525949 Minutes, &c. So that if we would readily see what Number of Seconds are in a Year (for Instance) under Seconds, and against

against Year, is the Number sought. And so of the rest.

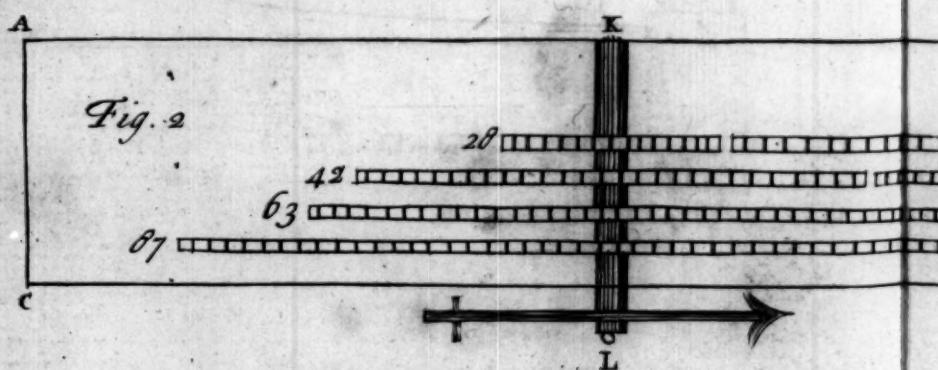
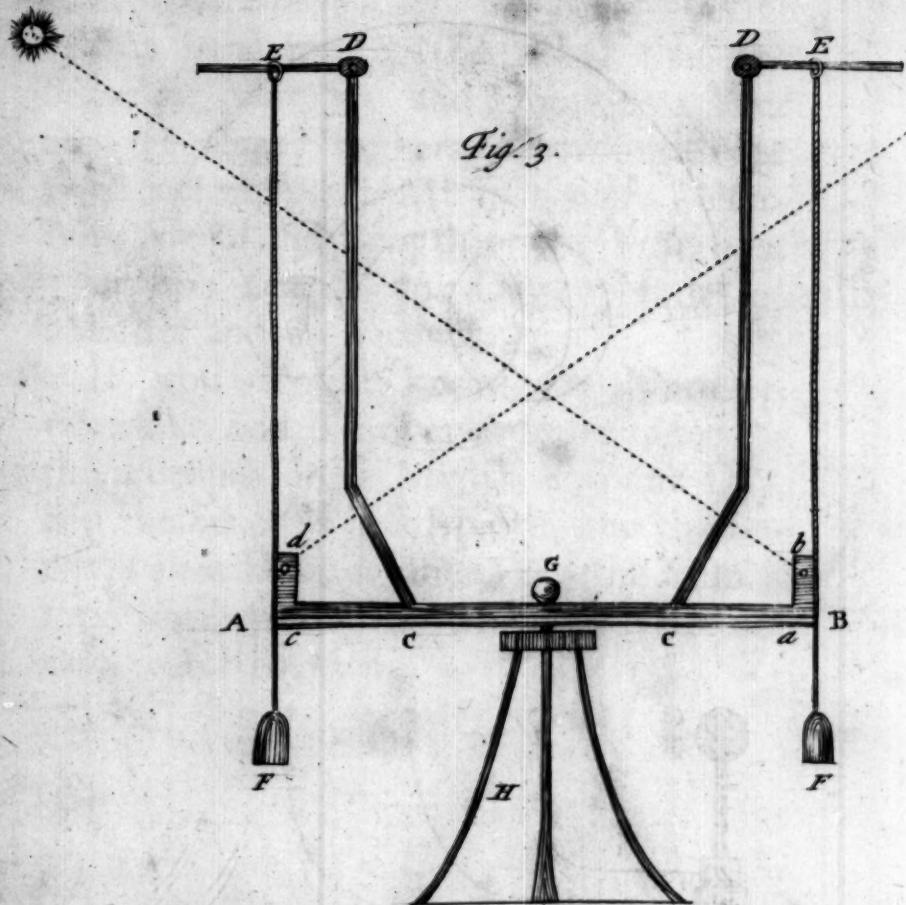
But here it is to be noted that the Seconds, Minutes, and Hours in a Year are the true Numbers, according to the beforerecommended Mr *Flamsteed's* Determination of the Length of the Year, *viz.* That the Year is 365 Days 5 Hours 49 Minutes and no Seconds.

If you would know any Number, where an odd Number is to be added, as the Seconds in a Month and one Day, add the Seconds in a Month, and the Seconds in a Day together, and the Sum is the Number sought, which is 2678400. And so for the rest.

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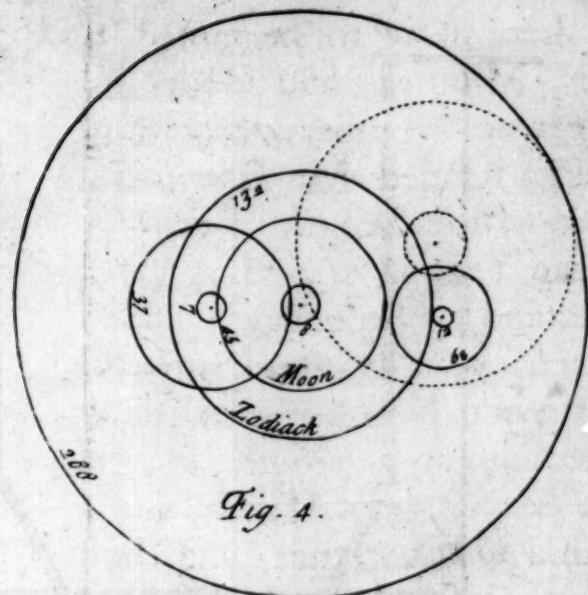


Fig. 4.

